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LEGISLATURE---THIRD SESSION.

House of Representatives.

VIRGINIA CITY, Nov. 5th—12 M

Gen Meagher, Secretary of the Territory, called the House to order, and read the proclamation of Gov. Smith, declaring that certain persons had been duly elected members thereof

On motion of Mr. Mayhew of Deer Lodge, Mr Smith of Beaverhead was elected Speaker pro tem.

On motion of Mr. Mimms of Edgerton, A. H Barret was elected Clerk pro tem.

On motion of Mr. Mayhew, Rocky Thomas was elected Sergeant-at-Arms pro tem

On motion of Mr. McCullough of Madison, Wm Deascey was elected Doorkeeper pro tem.

A committee of three, consisting of Messrs Mayhew, McCullough and Buck, was appointed to examine and report upon the credentials of the members

The House then adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock p m

AFTERNOON SESSION

The House met pursuant to vote, Mr. Smith of Beaverhead in the chair.

Mr Mayhew, chairman of the Committee on Credentials, submitted a report, which was adopted on motion of Mr Johnson of Missoula

The oath of office was then administered to the members by Judge Stafford of Virginia

The roll was called by the clerk, and a quorum answered to their names.

The House then proceeded to vote viva voce for a Speaker, with the following result 1st ballot—A E Mayhew, 10, J H. Rogers, 7, R W. Mimms, 4.

There being no choice, the House proceeded to a second ballot Mayhew, 13; Rogers, 4, Mimms, 4

Mr. Mayhew having received a majority of the votes cast, was elected

The following members voted for Mr Mayhew. Messrs Blakely, Buck, Clanton, Esler, Gorham, Johnson, Jordan, McManus, McMurtey, Roach, Rogers, Smith and Wylie

Messrs. Donegan, Mayhew, McCullough and Mimms, voted for Rodgers

Messrs Andrews, Gallagher, Rhodes and Van Hagan, voted for Mimms

Mr Mayhew was conducted to the chair by Messrs Rogers and Mimms, and accepted the position in an appropriate speech, in which he declared his intention to perform his duties impartially

☞ The House then elected A H Barret, Clerk, J K Duke, Assistant Clerk, Robert Hedges, Engrossing Clerk, Jesse McCallen, Enrolling Clerk, Rocky Thomas Sergeant-at-Arms, W Deascey, Doorkeeper, E Wood, Fireman, D Andrews and Albert Crow, Pages

On motion of Mr Smith the rules of the House of the previous Legislature were adopted, until others are enacted

The House voted to elect a Chaplain, and Hugh Duncan was chosen

On motion of Mr McCullough the thanks of the House, the Council concurring, were tendered to Secretary Meagher for the commodious and neatly fitted rooms that have been provided for the use of the House and Council

A committee of three, consisting of Messrs Smith, Buck and Gallaher, was appointed to wait upon the Council and request that body to meet with the House to-morrow at 10 o'clock A M to hear the Governor's message.

On motion of Mr. McCullough of Madison, it was voted that any member who shall receive a fee for performing any of his duties, shall be subject to expulsion from the House.

On motion of Mr Smith, it was voted that the reporters of the press of the Territory be allowed seats in the House.

On motion of Mr McCullough, a committee of three was appointed to wait upon the Governor and notify him that the House had organized

The House then adjourned to meet at 10 o'clock A M. to-morrow.

COUNCIL.

At 12 M. Secretary Meagher called the Council to order, after reading Governor Smith's proclamation convening the same. The members were sworn into office by Judge William Y. Lovell, and took their seats.

On motion of Mr. Waterbury, Mr. Wilkinson was elected President pro tem, and Judge Lovell as Clerk pro tem.

On motion of Mr. Chiles, J. B Caven was elected Sergeant-at-Arms pro tem

E S. Calhoun was elected Assistant Clerk pro tem.

Proceeding to business, on motion of J. M. Waterbury, Hon Charles S. Bagg was elected by acclamation as President of the Council, and conducted to the chair by a committee composed of Messrs. Chiles, Waterbury and Brown.

The Council was then organized by selecting from a host of candidates the following permanent officers: Chief Clerk, William Y. Lovell, Assistant Clerk, Charles E. V. Lovejoy; Engrossing Clerk, C. C. Menaugh; Enrolling Clerk, F. W. A. Cunningham, Sergeant-at-Arms, J Buzz Caven; Doorkeeper, Henry Catlet; Fireman, Sylvester Chamberlain; Page, Master Johnny Daley.

On motion the President appointed Messrs. Williamson, Moore and Orr a committee to inform the House of the permanent organization of the Council.

On motion Messrs. Chiles, Phelps and Waterbury were appointed a committee to report rules for the government of the Council.

On motion of Mr. Waterbury, the Council adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock A. M.

House of Representatives.

SECOND DAY—Nov. 6, 1866.

The House was called to order at 10 o'clock A. M Speaker Mayhew in the chair, and a quorum answered to their names

On motion of Mr. Mimms a committee of three, consisting of Messrs. Mimms, Smith and Johnson, was appointed to prepare rules for the House.

Mr. McMurtry of Deer Lodge, presented the remonstrance of Joseph A. Brown of Beaverhead, against the right of Mr. Essler to hold his seat, and claimed that he was duly elected to the same.

Messrs. Andrews, Smith and McMurtry were appointed a committee to report upon the matter, with power to send for persons and papers

Messrs. Smith, Wylie and Van Hagan were appointed to wait upon the Council and inform them that the House was organized.

A communication was received from Secretary Meagher, informing the House that he had appointed John P. Bruce to execute the printing that would be required by the Legislature.

Mr Mimms gave notice that he would introduce a bill for regulating the sale of mules and other animals, and one for creating the office of District Attorney in each county.

On motion of Mr. Andrews, the House reconsidered the vote by which Mr. McCullough's resolution relating to the bribery of members was adopted. Ayes 13, noes 3. The resolution was then laid upon the table, ayes 16, noes 4, and subsequently taken therefrom and rejected.

A committee from the Council, of which Mr. Chiles was Chairman, reported that that body would meet the House in joint convention at 2 o'clock P M.

Mr. McCullough introduced a bill to repeal the law relating to trout fishing, passed by the Bannack Legislature

A communication was received from Secretary Meagher, notifying the House that each member would be furnished with six copies of the *Gazette* and six copies of the *Democrat* per week.

After considerable discussion upon a resolution relating to the printing of the Clerk's record, it was withdrawn because Secretary Meagher desired to communicate his views.

The House then adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The House met at 1½ o'clock P M Speaker Mayhew in the chair

The Speaker announced the following Committees

Ways and Means—Buck, Blakely and Gorham

Judiciary—McMurtry, McCullough and Smith

Internal Improvements—Rogers, Owen and Van Hagan

Finance—Gorham, McMurtry and Blakely

Public Lands—Owen, Gallaher and Jordan

Federal Relations—Rogers, McMurtry and McCullough

Education—Mimms, Roach and Johnson

Roads and Bridges—Andrews, Jordan and Van Hagan

Towns and Counties—VanHagan, Buck and McManus

Military Affairs—Donegan, Essler and Van Hagan

Incorporations—McCullough, Wylie and Smith

Agriculture and Manufactures—Wylie, Clanton and Rhodes

Elections—Andrews, Blakely and Donegan

Indian Affairs—Johnson, Owen and Wylie

Mines and Minerals—Rhodes, Donegan and Essler

Engrossment and Enrollment—Smith, Rogers and Clanton

Enrollment—Donegan, Johnson and Wylie

Printing—Andrews, McManus and Blakely

On motion of Mr Buck of Jefferson, one hundred copies of the list of the committees was ordered to be printed for the use of members

On motion of Mr —— of ——, Mr. Brown of Beaverhead was allowed to have a seat in the House while he is contesting the right of Mr. Essler to the same

At 2 o'clock the Council entered the House, and President Bagg assumed the chair of the joint convention

On motion of Speaker Mayhew, Messrs. Mayhew, Rogers and Waterbury were appointed a committee to wait upon the Governor, and inform him that the two houses were assembled in joint session. They returned with Governor Smith, who delivered his message, which may be found in the POST.

On motion of Mr. Waterbury of Edgerton, two thousand copies of the Governor's message was ordered to be printed Yeas 21, nays 12. Speaker Mayhew having suggested that this vote was illegal, because each branch should act upon the question, the matter was laid upon the table. At 3 o'clock P M, on motion of Speaker Mayhew, the convention dissolved

On motion of Mr. Smith of Beaverhead, two thousand copies of the Governor's message were ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

On motion of Mr Mimms, the Governor's message was specially assigned for consideration at 2 o'clock P. M. on the 7th.

Council.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment, at 10 o'clock p. m. Roll called and all present Record of the previous day read and approved.

The President announced the Standing Committees as follows:

Ways and Means—Waterbury, Brown and Wilson.

Judiciary—Spratt, Wilkinson and Phelps.

Internal Improvements—Tuttle, Moore and Orr

Public Lands—Moore, Brown and Chiles.

Federal Relations—Orr, Lowry and Spratt.

Education—Chiles, Lowry and Galloway

Towns and Counties—Wilson, Galloway and Tuttle

Military Affairs—Lowry, Moore and Chiles

Incorporations—Brown, Phelps and Waterbury.

Agriculture—Moore, Tuttle and Orr.

Elections—Galloway, Lowry and Chiles.

Indian Affairs—Lowry, Brown and Moore.

Mines and Minerals—Galloway, Phelps and Spratt.

Engrossment — Phelps, Chiles and Wilson.

Enrollment—Chiles, Waterbury and Wilkinson.

Printing—Wilkinson, Wilson and Brown.

Adopted

Mr. Chiles gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he would introduce a bill entitled "An Act to regulate and license foreign miners."

On motion of Mr Waterbury, the Council took a recess until 1½ p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment. Roll called and all present.

On motion of Mr. Chiles, the ladies of this city were invited to attend the deliberations of the Council and be allowed a seat within the bar.

Mr. Spratt gave notice of the introduction of an act entitled, "An Act in relation to contracts, bonds, bills of exchange, and promissory notes"

Mr Waterbury gave notice of the introduction of an act concerning corporations, commonly known as a general incoporation act.

The Council then adjourned to meet in the hall of the House at 2 o'clock p. m, for the purpose of a joint convention to receive the message of the Governor.

Upon the adjournment of the joint convention, the Council assembled in their Hall and was again called to order by the President Roll called and all present

On motion of Mr. Moore, a committee of three was appointed to confer with a committee of the House, to prepare and recommend a series of joint rules for the government of the convention

The President appointed Moore, Phelps and Brown such committee

Mr Spratt offered the following resolution

Resolved, by the Council, the House concurring, That a committee of two from the Council and three from the House, be appointed, whose duty it shall be to consider the propriety of adopting a civil practice act for this Territory Adopted

Mr Spratt moved a reconsideration. Carried

Mr Chiles moved a suspension of the rules. Carried

The resolution was then read and passed to the second reading by its title, and the third reading being had the same was passed by a vote of twelve yeas to one nay

On motion of Mr Waterbury the Council declared in favor of another Page

On motion of Mr Waterbury, Marshall Orr was unanimously elected second page to the Council.

On motion the, Council adjourned to 10 a m. to morrow

THIRD DAY—NOV 7

The House convened at 10 o'clock a. m, speaker Mayhew in the chair.

The journal was read and approved

Mr Mimms, from the Committee on Rules, reported in favor of the adoption of those used by the second Legislature, with a few amendments

The House then went into Committee of the Whole on the report, Mr McCullough in the chair After making some changes, the report was adopted and the committee rose, on motion of Mr Johnson of Missoula

The House then adjourned at 12 m

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met at 2 o'clock p m, speaker Mayhew in the chair

Mr Mimms introduced a bill regulating the sale of mules, horses and other animals, and requiring autioneers to keep a registry of the same. It was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Mimms also introduced a bill defining the duties of attorneys for each county, and providing for their election Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Donegan, it was voted that the Secretary of the Territory, be required to furnish a list of the titles of bills passed by the Bannack Legislature.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, the Secretary was directed to furnish a copy of the votes cast at the late election

On motion of Mr. McCullough, the House appointed the Committee on Judiciary to act with the Committee of the Council in framing a civil practice act.

The report of A H. Banet, Superintendent of Public Instruction, was received and read, and referred to the Committee on Education.

The reports of John S. Rockfellow, Territorial Treasurer, and John H Ming, Auditor, were received, read and referred to the Committee on Finance, and 100 copies of each were ordered printed.

On motion of Mr. Mimms, Messrs. Mimms, Smith and Rogers, were appointed a committee to act with that of the Council, and prepare rules for the action of joint committees.

Mr. Donegan presented a petition in favor of a general incorporation act, which was referred to the Committee on Incorporations

The House adjourned to meet at 7 o'clock p. m.

Council.

Council met at the usual hour. Journal read and approved. Reports were made by several committees.

The following notices of the introduction of bills were given:

By Mr. Williamson. An Act to authorize County Collectors not to receive Territorial scrip for county taxes. An Act authorizing the Territorial Treasurer to receive from the Treasurer of Edgerton county the amount of Territorial scrip received from his predecessor in payment of county taxes, etc. An Act to repeal that part of the jury law which requires the County Commissioners to pay jurors in civil cases.

By Mr Chiles. An Act concerning landlords and tenants.

By Mr Phelps. An Act concerning fences and fence viewers.

By Mr. Orr. An Act defining judicial districts, etc.

Mr. Chiles introduced C. B. No. 1, an Act to regulate and license foreign miners. Read first and second times, ordered printed and referred to the committee on mines and minerals.

A resolution introduced by Mr. Orr, was passed, allowing each member such papers as he might designate to the Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Chiles, the Governor's message was made the special order for the afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Council in committee of the whole upon the Governor's message, with Mr. Chiles in the chair.

Committee arose and reported through its chairman, which report was adopted, recommending the several parts of it to the proper committees.

Council adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

Wednesday, Nov. 7.

The House met at 7 o'clock P. M. Speaker Mayhew in the chair.

On motion of Mr. McMurtry the reports of the Treasurer and Auditor were ordered to be returned by the Committee on Printing, and the same on motion of Johnson, were laid on the table

At 7½ o'clock the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mimms in the chair

The Clerk then read the Governor's message, sections of which were assigned to appropriate committees

Speaker Mayhew made an elaborate argument, in which he criticised the Governor's remarks regarding Choteau county.

The committee rose at 9 o'clock, and the House adjourned.

FOURTH DAY—NOV. 8

The House met at 10 o'clock A. M. Speaker Mayhew in the chair.

On motion of Mimms the rules of last session governing joint committees were adopted, and fifty copies ordered to be printed

Notice was given of the introduction of the following bills

By Johnson, a bill to change the county seat of Missoula to Missoula Mills, and to legalize the action of the County Commissioners in relation thereto; also an Act to amend the license law.

By McMurtry, a bill to repeal an Act prohibiting the pasturing of stock on winter grass land in Deer Lodge county

By McCullough, a bill relating to Assessors

By Esler, a bill relating to roads and road taxes.

By Mimms, a bill to suppress gaming, and another to protect possessory right upon the public domain of Montana.

By Smith, a bill to locate a road from Helena to the Salt Lake road.

By Blakely, a bill to change the county seat of Gallatin, and one to authorize the construction of a ferry on Sun river, at the old Mullan crossing

Mr Buck introduced a bill to authorize R W Anderson to construct a ferry, across the Missouri river Referred to Committee on Incorporations

Mr McMurtry gave notice of a bill to provide for the collection of

Mr Van Hagan gave notice of a bill to change the name of Muscleshell county to Vivion, and the county seat to Smithton

On motion of Mr. Wylie, Messrs Wylie, Mimms and McManus, were appointed to draft a license act

The Council bill No. 4, relating to the officers of County Commissioners and vacancies in the Board was read a third time and passed.

The House adjourned at 12 M.

AFTERNOON SESSION—NOV 8.

The House met at 2 o'clock p. m Speaker Mayhew in the chair

House bill No 1, relating to trout fishing was considered in Committee of the Whole and passed to a third reading

Most of the afternoon was occupied in debates upon parliamentary rules.

An animated discussion took place regarding a communication from Secretary Meagher, which was addressed to the clerk instead of the speaker.

The House adjourned at 4 o'clock.

Council.

FOURTH DAY—NOV. 8

President called the Council to order at 10 o'clock A. M.

Moore, chairman of the committe on joint rules for the House and Council reported.

Galloway gave notice that on to-morrow, or at an early day, he would introduce a bill changing the time of appraising the value of real or personal property.

Lowry gave notice of the introduction of a bill prohibiting certain games.

Brown gave notice of the introduction of a bill concerning the institutions of suits in District and Justice's Courts.

Phelps gave notice of a bill to incorporate the Beaverhead county gold and silver mining and manufacturing company.

Chiles gave notice that he would introduce a bill authorizing George Humphrey and William Allson to construct a ditch and take water therefor from the waters of the Deer Lodge.

Phelps introduced C. B. No. 4, read first and second time by its title. Thereupon Chiles moved that the rules be suspended, which was done, and the bill passed to its third reading.

Lowry offered the following resolution: That the Secretary of the Territory, members of the House of Representatives and all ministers of the gospel, be admitted within the bar of the Council. Adopted.

The Council adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

President called the Council to order at 3 P. M.

Chiles offered the following resolution: Resolved by the Council, the House concurring, That the Public Printer be and is hereby requested hereafter, to print daily proceedings of both houses on the same slip of paper.

Waterbury moved that the Committee on Printing be instructed to request the Public Printer to exclude all advertisements and foreign matter from the published proceedings of the Council The motion was adopted.

Moore gave notice that he would introduce a bill concerning jurors in civil actions.

Wilkinson gave notice that he would introduce a bill entitled an Act defining the duties of the County Treasurer.

Galloway offered the following resolution: That our delegate in Congress be requested to use his influence to procure the establishment of a semi-weekly mail route, starting from the town of Deer Lodge, the county seat of Deer Lodge county, via Gold Creek, Flint Creek, the Missoula river to Beartown, and the establishment of a post office in Deer Lodge county.

The Council adjourned.

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HENRY N. BLAKE, - - - Editor.

Saturday, - - November 10, 1866.

☞ *Our Agents in the different towns and mining camps of the Territory and elsewhere, will please take notice that the terms of subscription for the* POST *have been increased to* $3 50 *per quarter,* $5 00 *for six months, and* $8 00 *for one year*

General Meagher's Drafts.

Persons who hold the reward for their services in certain papers signed by the Secretary of Montana, will find some interesting information in the following documents Whenever we censure this official for his shortcomings he is usually defended by the *Democrat*, that cannot find any terms too flattering to be applied to him' As General Meagher acts as temporary editor of that journal during the absence of Major Bruce, we expect to be answered in that manner, unless the gallant brigadier, trampling under his feet the laws of the Territory, writes a challenge which he has been previously notified cannot be accepted We wish to inquire in behalf of many citizens regarding this matter. When the national treasury is full, and the public debt is reduced at the rate of twenty millions per month, why cannot the paltry sum of twenty thousand dollars be deposited to the credit of our Secretary of State? We have been told by reliable men, all of whom are Democrats, that no proper bond has been filed by this functionary, and therefore the department very properly refuses to honor his drafts How long can such negligence be tolerated in silence? Is the cloak of democracy, that is now so ostentatiously worn by General Meagher, an invulnerable shield which no sword or pen can pierce? Selfish motives, if none arising from patriotism existed, should induce our legislators to investigate this subject. Throwing aside a serious view of the case, we propound the following questions in mathematics, which the *Democrat* can reply to We think we are safe in offering a large amount to any man who can furnish us with correct and satisfactory answers If a citizen of Montana receives a draft on the treasury of the United States for the sum of one hundred dollars, how much is its value in greenbacks? Which is worth the most, one of the Territorial drafts signed by General Meaher, or a Confederate bond for the same amount issued by the late nation of Jefferson Davis? If the Secretary of the Interior, Hon O H Browning, cannot give any information as to "when or by whom such drafts will be paid," where is the gentleman that possesses the invaluable knowledge? If General Meagher is one of the most faithful and efficient officials that ever held the sceptre of power in our Territory, are the Secretaries of adjoining sections, whose drafts are promptly honored, negligent and untrue? We suppose that it is a grave (we do not employ the word in its sepulchral meaning,) offense to remind the people of these facts, because we have been warned to say nothing against General Meagher's action. We are not frightened although our office is within the range of a brass cannon that has been planted in the halls of legislators by order of our Secretary of State "A word to the wise is sufficient," and this article expresses the views of the candid men in the community. Do not fail to read these letters

NEW YORK, Oct. 1, 1866.

DEAR SIR: On my return to this city I presented to the Assistant Treasurer the check you sent me, and was informed that no funds had yet been forwarded for the payment, and was advised to apply to the Interior Department for an appropriation for that purpose. The answer to my letter I herewith inclose, from which you will see that the ultimate payment of the claim is somewhat dubious. I will hold the check and other paper subject to your orders. I regret I have not been able to do better for you.

Respectfully yours,
P. C. CALHOUN.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 28, 1866.

SIR: In reply to your letter of the 27th instant, in relation to certain drafts, now in your possession, drawn by Thomas Francis Meagher, Secretary of Montana Territory, on the Assistant Treasurer United States at New York, you are respectfully informed that Mr. Meagher has no authority from this Department to draw upon any of the funds under its control, none having been placed to his credit; and I am unable to inform you when or by whom such drafts will be paid.

Very respectfully your ob't servant,
O. H. BROWNING, Secretary.

Public Printing.

The proprietors of the POST extend a cordial invitation to the members of the Legislature to visit their office and inspect their presses and facilities for executing any work in typography. They have labored without regard to expense to make a newspaper that should be a credit to the Territory in its appearance and contents If any person desired to send to the States the best specimen of the printer's skill that has been produced in Montana, he would select the WEEKLY POST, and cast into the street the dingy *Democrat*. If candid people visit the office of Major Bruce after they have examined that of D. W. TILTON & Co, their judgment will be pronounced in favor of the superiority of the latter men. These facts cannot be denied by anybody. Why then should the printing be bestowed upon those whose means of performing are extremely limited?

Telegraphic Dispatches

Reported for the "Tri-Weekly Post," by the W. U. Tel. Co.

Congratulations from St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 3.

N WALL · The merchants of St. Louis congratulate the merchants of Virginia City on telegraphic communication with St Louis, and hope it may serve to advance the prosperity and business intercourse of both cities

GEO, H MORGAN, Sec'y

Monetary.

LONDON, Nov. 3—Noon—Consols 89¼, 5 20s, 68¼

LIVERPOOL, Nov. 3—Breadstuffs unchanged The British admiralty have promised to encourage the projected *Nicaragua route*.

European News.

PARIS, Nov 3—The *Presse* says the alliance between Prussia and Russia is a fixed fact.

It is reported that Count Montholon has been ordered from Washington to Lisbon, and that Count Berbeny will be minister at Washington

VIENNA, Nov 3—The Hungarian Diet is convoken for the 9th inst

ST. PETERSBURG, Nov 3—The military and naval forces have been ordered *to be raised to their full strength*

Maryland Troubles.

CHICAGO, Nov 4—The Baltimore police commission imbroglio took an unexpected shape yesterday, the old board refusing to surrender the authority and arresting the new board, with the sheriff of county, and lodging them in jail The city remained remarkably quiet, although thousands of persons crowded about headquarters and the newspaper offices to hear and discuss the news The old police board have enrolled about 400 special men, among them some of the most prominent citizens, and are determined that the new commissioners shall not take office until after the decision of the Supreme Court, which delay will prevent their assuming office until after the election, thereby defeating the plans of conservative politicians

Maryland Difficulty.

CHICAGO, Nov 3—The Maryland imbroglio attracts considerable attention Gov Swan concluded the trial of the police commisioners Wednesday night, and removed them Thursday morning, appointing James Young and William L Valliant of the old board, who refused to surrender the office, and the new board have made a proclamation invoking all good citizens to recognize their authority and keep the peace

Senor Romero, the Mexican Minister, stated in convention yesterday that he was not aware of any treaty or negotiation for ceding any portion of the Mexican territory to the United States

Registration of Voters.

NEW YORK Nov 3—Thirty-seven thousand voters were registered yesterday, making a total of 114,000

Suicide.

Wm A Francis, treasurer of the Montana Mining and Discovery Company, committed suicide at his residence in this city yesterday.

Maryland Affairs.

WASHINGTON, Nov 3—Much solicitude naturally prevails here concerning the troubled condition of affairs in Baltimore. It is reported that troops were to-day sent to that neighborhood, to be ready in case of any emergency, and if there should be any hostile demonstrations on the part of the authorities, the U. S. government will interfere and declare the city under martial law, for the purpose of preserving peace

Financial.

NEW YORK, Nov. 3—The *Commercial's* money article says: Money is in steady demand on call loans, the rate generally five per cent on stock collaterals, and four per cent. on government accounts; the most general rate on four months being six per cent. Gold continues firmer. There is no scarcity for delivery—3@4 per cent being paid for having gold carried This advance this morning is encouraged by specie deposits, which have been larger than was supposed yesterday. The shipment of specie to-day was $744,518; for the week, $947,447. Governments firm.

Maryland Matters.

BALTIMORE, Nov. 4—The counsel for Gov. Swan's new commissioners made application to Judge Barton for a writ of *habeas corpus*, to bring before him parties now held in custody, which will be served to-morrow. The city is quiet, but a disturbance to-morrow seems inevitable Both sides expect it, both are prepared for it. Each party wants the other to take the initiative. There is a strong guard of radical police, both regular and special, at the commissioners' headquarters and at every police station in the city, besides there are several thousand boys in blue ready for action at a moment's call. The conservative force is equally well organized, and is more confident, from the belief that the Federal forces now here, numbering 4,000, will assist them in the event of a collision.

Gen. Grant arrived at midnight.

Gen. Sweeney.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 4.—Brevet Colonel Sweeney has made direct application to be reinstated in his old position in the army. There seems to be no doubt but that the President will reinstate him.

Sanford Conover, alias Dunham, last week arrested in New York on a charge of having received a bribe for swearing to false statements implicating Jefferson Davis in the assassination of Abraham Lincoln, is now in jail awaiting the action of the Grand Jury.

Cabinet Meeting.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 4—An important consultation was held at the executive mansion this morning, at which the President, Attorney General Stanberry, General Grant and Secretary Stanton were present The subject discussed was the Maryland difficulties Afterwards, Gov. Swann and Montgomery Blair had an interview with the President. If it has been decided to tender to Gov. Swann the aid of Federal forces, the fact will be demonstrated early to-morrow, but it is the general opinion to night that they have decided to leave the whole matter to the courts. Gov Swann informed the President last night that he was wholly unable to execute the law, although there had been no overt acts of armed resistance to him. Two regiments of infantry are under arms at the Baltimore depot here, ready to leave at a moment's notice

American Guns in England.

NEW YORK, Nov 4—The steamship City of Paris, from Liverpool the 24th ult, via Queenstown the 25th, has arrived The *Mechanics' Magazine* says the British government have ordered a 15 inch Rodman gun, with improved carriage, shot and powder, from the United States gun factory, which will probably arrive in five or six weeks, when we hope for the settlement of the question between British and American ordnance.

The Prince of Wales leaves England for Russia on the fifth inst, with a numerous suite, to attend the marriage of the Princess Dogmar

The Standard theater at the east end of London had burnt

The War Secretary had invited proposals for breech-loaders to replace the present rifles used by the British army

Prussian Affairs.

Prussian conscription in Schleswig-Holstein is decreed from January 1st, in conformity with the Prussian military regulations, under the Prusso Saxon treaty Persons politically compromised during recent events will suffer no molestation

Famine in India.

The famine in India has almost ended Plentiful harvests bids fair to restore the country to its usual prosperity

A Calcutta letter says it is estimated that three-fourths of the laboring population and half the lower class of agriculturists have perished, or will perish before the calamity is stayed

Breadstuffs.

Liverpool circulars of the 24th report an improvement in flour of 1s 6d per sack, and in wheat of 4@6d per central

Mexico to be Attended to.

NEW YORK, Nov 5—A *Herald* special says Gen Grant has at last, most probably by instructions of the President, taken Mexican matters in earnest, and will attend to them with zeal, so far as he is concerned On Saturdry morning he invited Senór Romero, Mexican Minister, to confidential interview at his headquarters, which meeting took place and lasted for sometime After Senor Romero's departure, there was a staff meeting In what connection this may or may not have had with Mexican business, I cannot say There's no reason to believe that the Mexican question has been re-opened with France, but that it remains just where the last published note from Druyn de L'Huys to Seward placed it Government is waiting to see how the French act up to the first of the coming year If at that time it is seen that there's any faith exhibited, or tendency to duplicity, then such action will be forcibly recommended as will insure our feelings and interests to be respected

President Juarez has written a letter, in which he again asserts his unwillingness to consider any projects looking to the cession of the northern states of Mexico to the United States Furthermore, it is well known that some three years ago, Don Jose Domingo Cortez came to this city and proposed to the Executive the annexation to the United States of the State of Chihuahua and the States of Mexico on the Pacific coast, in order, as he said, to free them from French intervention, and that Juarez instructed Romero to officially deny that Cortez had any right to make any such proposition.

Canada and Fenians.

The *Herald's* Toronto special says. Great dissatisfaction exists on account of the verdict in the case of Lumsden. Catholics of the city assert boldly that Lumsden was discharged on religious grounds, and that evidence against him was stronger than that against McMahan.

The *World's* Toronto special says: In consequence of threatening letters sent to witnesses of the crown in the Fenian cases, they refuse to give evidence, unless assured of adequate military protection at Fort Erie.

Orders to Sheridan.

NEW YORK, Nov. 5.—The *Tribune's* New Orleans special says: It is stated on very good authority that the President has ordered General Sheridan not to make any arrests under General Grant's famous order, which affects forty-four persons accused of committing murders on the 13th of July. It is well known that affidavits were placed in Gen. Sheridan's hands over two months ago, accusing certain parties of murder, and the above accounts for his not acting in the matter Official information reached General Sheridan yesterday of numerous murders and outrages committed against Union men in the parish of St Laundery

Tennessee Legislature.

NASHVILLE, Nov 5—The Legislature convenes to day, but there will be no quorum for several days, however, as full returns from the election on Thursday have not been received Governor Brownlow, it is understood, in his message will advocate negro suffrage and perpetual disfranchisement to all rebels

Maryland Troubles.

BALTIMORE, Nov 5—In the Court of Appeals, this morning, Mr. Latrobe, in behalf of the new Commissionees, announced that writs of habeas corpus had been served on the Warden of the jail this morning, and added that he had just learned that a Warden had been at the court house without prisoners, and gave as a reason, that he had no means of conveyance Mr Latrobe would not say this was, or was not, merely a continuation of efforts of the other side to consume time, but it looked like it Judge Barton reminded him that a Warden had three days by law in which to make return Mr Schly said he considered the intent of law, that unless there was unavoidable impediments, a Warden was bound to produce the prisoners without delay at half past eleven The prisoners not appearing, Mr Howitz on behalf of the Sheriff, prepared a petition that his honor would command the Deputy Sheriff forthwith to bring the Warden before the Court, together with the High Sheriff Mr Schly said he would, on behalf of his client, have a similar petition to offer Mr Alexander, counsel for the old Commissioners, now appeared and said a Warden of the jail was in consultation with counsel, and he expected that by one o'clock such return would be made as would render any further proceedings unnecessary.

FROM HELENA

November, 1st, 1866

SUBSTANTIAL IMPROVEMENTS OF THE CITY—NEW ROAD—COPPER—MISCELLANEOUS

Two years ago this month a party of discouraged prospectors entered the Prickly Pear Basin and camped on a little stream, where now Helena stands Disheartened by ill success and almost out of provisions, they intended to winter in this basin, attracted thither by the abundance of game of every variety, consoling themselves that starvation did not stare them in the face as long as they had "meat straight," even on foot One of the party, however, while speaking of their bad luck in finding fair prospect, remarked that the creek above referred to was their "last chance," and proposed to prospect it, which was done, and the result was the discovery of "Last Chance gulch" Thither flocked the stampeders, who are always on the alert to rush to the discoveries of the pioneer prospectors, and soon a lively camp was established The natural result was the building up of a town Traders, mechanics and artisans flocked to *Last Chance*, and the spring of '65 found quite a lively little city. Since then the enterprise of the citizens has never ceased, and at all seasons of the year the busy tools of the mechanic have resounded through *Helena*—whence the name we did not learn But Last Chance and its headwaters, Oro Fino and Grizzly, did not furnish room for the thousands that flocked to seek their fortunes here, and prospecting developed in the vicinity a number of rich gulches and placer mines, unparalleled in the discovery of gold in America Helena became the centre of a large mining district, and improvements in the city continued Let us now take a walk from the head of Main street and see what

FIRE PROOF BUILDINGS

Has been erected during the last summer We descend Main, and notice on the west side the first—Hussey, Dahler & Co's bank building, a neat one story 22x40, of fire brick front, at a cost of $10 000, probably the finest furnished bank in Montana Next, our view meets King & Gillette's fire brick front, 65x80, occupied by the First National Bank—Atchison & Co, bankers—and themselves This building is one-story high, with a full basement, and was erected at a cost of $23,000 Next, we notice a brown granite front one story high, 46x54, not quite complete, owned by Kerr, Levi & Co., and Clark, Conrad & Co., and contracted at $8,000. Probably the best and finest of stone structures, is Dunphey & Bentleys, which comes next. Two stories on Main, with a high basement and highly finished granite front, it looms above all surrounding buildings; will be occupied as the United States Court-house up stairs, and John Ming's Occidental billiard hall, and L. H. Hershfield's bank on the first floor. The cost of this edifice is $25,000 Nearly opposite, on the east side of Main, are three one story stone houses, 78x25, occupied respectively by the "Self-rising Store," Higgins & Hagadorn, wholesale grocers, and John How's dry goods establishment. These three buildings were erected at a cost of $13,000. Next, on the west side of the street, is Frank Walker's one-story building, 27x60, costing $6,000. Adjoining this is the very finely designed front of Nowlan & Weary's bank, 38x60. The smooth granite in this front, is beautifully contrasted by white marble arches and trimmings; the expense of erecting this was $12,000, and would be an ornament to any eastern city. Taylor, Thompson & Co.'s wholesale grocery, is the last stone building on Main street, 30x80 in dimension, and erected at a cost of $7,000

In going up Bridge street, we find three more substantial stone structures The first, a two story warehouse, 26x40, built by J Vivion at an expense of $6,000; a two story plain stone store and warehouse of Tutt & Donnel, and a one story store belonging to Gay, Lewis & Co. The latter two could not have been put up for less than $10,000 At a glance it will be seen that there have been expended in those enumerated $119,000, in one class of buildings alone Aside from these a score of fire proof warehouses have been erected; hundreds of frame structures, all neatly painted, have been raised up as if by magic, day after day, during the past mining season, and numerous beautiful private cottages ornament the more retired parts of town

A large and commodious school house, well plastered and furnished, occupies a prominent position on Academy Hill, and would be an honor to older communities than this There is yet one thing wanting, and that is a substantial church We have so far given a general view of the enterprise of this community, but now would say something we consider enterprise in a good cause The present place of worship is nothing but an old shell of a log house, in what we consider an out of the way place, although the weekly religious services are well attended to listen to the excellent discourses of Rev A M Hough. A much larger congregation would meet, in a better and more comfortably arranged edifice. Let there be a move made to build a good stone church, to be erected from the proceeds of public contributions or private and individual liberality Our community, although thickly interspersed with the ungodly, has many and enough of public spirited individuals to give their surplus for a house of God, that would be an ornament to the city and a standing monument of their liberality

A NEW ROAD

We have already one splendid highway from the head of Missouri navigation to this point, over which eastern merchandise finds its way into the Territory Another much spoken of route of supply is from the west via the Mullan road, from Walla Walla, whence thousands of pack animals have supplied this market with goods in competition with eastern merchants, giving the Territory the benefit, and still another avenue is being now opened by the incorporated Missouri and Rocky Mountain Wagon Road and Telegraph Company, from Kercheval City, near the mouth of Muscleshell river, about three hundred miles below Fort Benton Twenty men under the charge of Milo Court wright, an experienced road contractor, started on the 30th ult for a winter's campaign on this road The distance from Helena to Kercheval is not underrated at one hundred and ninety miles, and by shipping to that point, three hundred miles of the most difficult part of river navigation will be saved This new road crosses the "belt range" seven miles south of Diamond City, thence strikes for the head of Deep Creek, and from there to the head of Muscleshell, descending then the valley of this stream to its confluence with the Missouri. But let it not be said by those interested that this road is merely built to detract business from Benton, for since the discovery in last June of some of the richest

COPPER LEDGES

in the Muscleshell country, one hundred miles southwest of Kercheval City, it was found necessary to open a channel of supply to those mines The fortunate discoverers of this new source of wealth to Montana, are McLaughlin and Dickerson One immense ledge of this metal was found and traced by its out-croppings for fourteen thousand feet Ever since the month of discovery improvements have been going on, and several tests and assays have been made of the rock In summing up all the assays we find an average of 63½ per cent of metal, composed of part silver, with slight traces of gold. A company has been organized by substantial men of Helena, and work is going on briskly, taking out ore, which it is the intention of the company will be shipped per steamer to the east, there to be worked The country these copper mines are situated in is well timbered, and four mountain streams intersect the ledge Game of all kinds abounds, and the winters in that section are not so severe as away up here in the mountains, making Muscleshell county a desirable locality for prospectors during the winter

My letter is getting too long, and I'll close with a few

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

An explanation of the cause of dullness in all branches of business in town has been making the rounds, and I will give it to you as I was told A certain Captain made a tour of inspection to Virginia, and immediately after his departure business commenced to grow duller and duller, until his reappearance among us, after many days absence. For proof of the above we are referred to the General, who sold $5,000 worth of goods on the day of "Cap's" return. We learn that the Captain is much pleased with his trip, and rapturously recounts the pleasure he has enjoyed serenading in the capital. A bear's paw, from a grizzly, not weighing less than eight hundred pounds, was found in his possession on his return, and we hope he will favor us with an account of the capture of this monster

Amusements are scarce in this town, if we except Con Orem's melodeon, whose entertainments afford the crowd great pleasure every evening, if we can judge from the noisy demonstrations floating upon the night air, and even penetrating our far off shanty. A good dramatic, well managed troupe, would reap a rich harvest here this winter from an appreciative audience

Mr. J. C Hughes, the gentlemanly dispenser of express favors for the Holladay Overland Mail and Express Company, we are sorry to hear, is going to leave us soon; but a short time have we had the satisfaction, and we speak for the majority of the public, to be well served in Holladay's express office, and that's since the advent of Mr. Hughes. Should he leave, the best wishes of his numerous friends accompany him to the city of the saints, where danger lurks in every corner, and good men are murdered in broad daylight with no assurance to a Gentile that his turn may come next Fierce indignation is freely expressed in certain circles, at the last and horrible outrage committed in Salt Lake City by the murder of Dr. Robinson. Further developments are anxiously looked for

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2,000 pounds dried Apples
500 pounds Zante Currants,
100 cases Field's Oysters,
200 cases assorted Fruits,
200 boxes Candles,
50 boxes Tobacco,
100 boxes assorted sizes, Glass,
100 kegs White Lead,
250 gallons Linseed Oil,
1,000 gallons Coal Oil,
150 Kegs Golden Syrup,
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Governor's Message.

GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATURE OF MONTANA:

Since my arrival in your midst I have made every effort to learn the condition of the people, and through them the interest of the Territory. The time has been so short, however, that my information is limited, and I feel that each one of you is far better qualified to act from your own enlarged information than from anything I may suggest

You have assembled on this the day fixed by a statute approved December 31st, 1864, to advise with one another, and legislate for this young and growing Territory

Your duties are onerous and infinitely more responsible than a casual observer would imagine Society, to a great extent is unsettled, the lines of government not strictly defined, and law, the great rule for man's action, and the regulation of community, is not broad enough in its scope to meet the demands of the people or subserve their interest.

You have the experience of all the States in the Union, and the wisdom of their statesmen to guide you in your deliberations and enactments—you are to labor for the growth and advancement of this Territory until it shall assume proper proportions and take its stand amongst the great sisterhood of States composing the mightiest government on the face of the earth

General intelligence amongst the masses is certainly to be desired, and every people should nature a general system of education by which the humblest and the poorest should, alike with the highest and the richest, partake of that great boon whereby they are made to feel the individual, as well as the aggregate, responsibility of maintaining a free and independent government. To this end I would call your especial attention to the enactment of such laws as will establish a permanent and healthy system of education in the Territory

The superintendent should have a sufficient salary, paid quarterly, to justify him in visiting the different counties in the sole discharge of his duties, as such, with corresponding responsibility attached, or else, at the present status of the Territory, the auditor of public accounts might be made ex officio Superintendent, whose duties as Auditor will not interfere with the duties of Superintendent In an economical point of view it might be well to accept the latter suggestion Commissioners should be appointed for each county by the Superintendent, whose duty should be to report quarterly to him, and attend to the local interest of schools in his district Schools should be taught at least three months in each year, and the counties so divided as not to have more than fifty scholars in a district The Commissioners should be provided with blank forms for their returns, showing the number of days taught, number of males and females at school tuition per scholar, aggregate number taught, tuition fees, etc, also the amount expended in buildings improvements, etc

The Treasurer of the Territory should be the custodian of the school fund, and he should be authorized to invest in some secure and profitable manner whatever surplus may be on hand from year to year, subject to the approval of the Governor or Auditor

I must direct your attention also to the finances of the Territory It is altogether important that the public debt be liquidated as soon as possible The script of the Territory should be made good, and I can see no reason why every dollar should not be paid within the next twelve months

The total amount of Territorial warrants originally issued, was $85,004 50 The Treasurer reports the total amount of warrants registered, October 31, 1866, $62,757 58, paid, $8 713 53, leaving a balance unpaid of $54 044 15 There remains to be collected and due the Treasury several thousand dollars, which will go far towards reducing this amount.

The United States Collector of internal revenue informs me that he has collected out of twelve hundred and forty eight license assessments made in May last in Madison, Deer Lodge, Missoula, Beaver Head, Jefferson, Edgerton and Choteau counties, amounting in the aggregate to $21 570 ninety nine and three fourths per cent, or all but fifty dollar Collections have been made also on other accounts and assessments almost as closely Now why, therefore cannot the Territorial assessments and collections be as strictly made The aggregate of list delivered by the assessor to the United States Collector during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1866 was $114 023 56 The total collection was $113,134 10 This tax came from manufacturers, slaughtered animals, gross receipts, wagons, etc, auction sales, brokers, licenses, incomes, watches, carriages, pianos, penalties and miscellaneous—all these things are taxed also for Territorial purposes with the addition of real and other personal property which amounts in the aggregate as follows

Madison county	$1,732,905 00
Deer Lodge county	466,091 00
Edgerton county	1,326 386 00
Gallatin county	444 363 00
Jefferson county	190 628 52
Missoula county	296,901 01
Meagher county (probable)	250,000 00
Beaverhead county	250 000 00
Total value	$4,957,274 53

The Treasurers abstract report to me shows that he has received

From Madison	$5 607 72
From Meagher	500 00
From Edgerton	7,368 90
From Deer Lodge	4,231 99
From Jefferson	902 59
From Beaverhead	330 09
From Gallatin	630 75
From Missoula	745 00
Total	$20,316 95

Since the above report was handed in I am informed that the Collector for Madison has paid into the treasury $4,000, which makes the receipt for Madison county $8 607 72 and the total amount received by the Treasurer $20,316 95, and the public debt to this date, $51,044 15

If the property of the Territory is correctly assessed and the taxes collected as they should be, the public debt would not only be paid during the coming year, but a large surplus would be left in the Treasury for other and important purposes

At this point I invite your attention to the propriety of amending the law as regards the time of listing and assessing personal property The 8th section of the Act providing for the collection of the revenue, approved February 6, 1865, says "All personal property is to be listed, assessed and taxed in the county where the owner resides on the first of June of the then current year" This time should be changed to the first of August I am informed that nearly all the goods of every description coming into this Territory, especially the largest stocks, do not reach here until after the first of June—I believe, generally, between the 5th of June and the 1st of August If this be true, you can readily see that very small quantities of goods are assessed June 1st, while a few days after the receipts are large, and no taxes paid on them at all I am satisfied that the Territory is deprived of an immense revenue, because of this early assessment Again, the county of Choteau, as I am credibly informed, has paid no taxes, and the people refuse to organize or conform to the laws and perform their reasonable duty as part of this Territory Officers have been appointed, but many of them, and especially the Commissioners, refuse to act, hence there is no county government, and the county is derelict in its duties.

I would respectfully suggest, if this is the state of the case, that you repeal the Act by which said county was made, to take effect at some future day, provided the people then did not in the meantime organize as prescribed by law, and pay up their just dues to the Territory There is a large trade in that county, and there are almost as many goods sold as in this county, or any other in the country The repeal of the law puts them back as a part of the county of Edgerton, where there is organization, and where the officers will do their duty

You will perceive by the abstract of the Auditor's report, transmitted herewith, that the counties of Meagher and Beaverhead have also failed to make their returns to that office. I hope some measures will be taken to force the county officers to fully discharge their duties in every regard It is impossible to succeed as a Territory, and have equal justice done, unless every county and every officer do their duty

The Assessor and Collector should be separate and distinct officers in each county, and required absolutely to complete their work at a given and reasonable time If the Collector should fail to make his collections, he should be able to show good cause for such delinquency, and the Assessor should be required to make his returns of all assessed property to the Auditor. By this means it seems to me there would be the proper checks on the various revenue officers of the Territory.

It is reported currently that there is a large outstanding and unregistered amount of Territorial script, of which there has been no official information received I would therefore earnestly recommend the appointment, at an early day, of a joint committee of the two Houses to inquire into this matter. Give the committee power to send for persons and papers, in order that the absolute indebtedness of the Territory can be ascertained, and you may know how to regulate the taxes on the people

The Territory, as you are aware, is without a Surveyor General a most important and essential officer. Nor have we any land office within this boundary. I therefore urge upon you to so memorialize Congress as that it will be as well understood there as it is here, the absolute necessity of appointing the one and establishing the other.

Many have advised the establishment of a mint in this Territory. I do not see the propriety or necessity of such an office, but we do need, and I trust will be granted, an assay office, which will answer every purpose. To the accomplishment of this end, therefore, I trust you will so represent the case that the Government will not refuse your request.

A civil code of practice is much needed, and it seems to me that the Legislature can with propriety, and certainly with economy, adopt almost entirely that of California This Territory is so much like California in every respect, that nearly all the cases for adjudication can find a precedent in those settled by that practice and in their reports You will, by the adoption of this practice, and the purchase of the reports, have the experience of almost twenty years, and the opinions of the Supreme Court of the United States, and a settled and uniform rule of practice throughout the Territory These reports would also enhance the interest and value of your library, which I congratulate you upon receiving since the adjournment of the last Legislature, and in which there are many valuable books I would remark just here, that there are lying now at the express office in this city, and at some other points along the Overland stage line, a number of books intended for the Territorial Library, which have not been received by the Auditor for the want of means to pay the express charges I recommend an appropriation for this special purpose The Territory is without public buildings of any kind, I therefore hope the Legislature will not overlook a proper and strong representation of our necessities to the Government, during the next session of Congress, asking for means to erect such buildings as are absolutely necessary None of the papers of the Auditor, nor of the Treasurer, nor indeed of any office of the Territory are safe, or in any wise protected, except as they are placed in the private safes of individuals It was proposed at the last session of Congress, but too late for action to appropriate the revenue collected by the United States to the Territory, for the period of three years for these purposes It was received with a great deal of favor, and, I predict, that if proper efforts are made this coming winter it can be done, or else a sufficiency secured to erect such buildings as are needed

A memorial should also be addressed to Congress in behalf of the Northern Pacific Railroad. There is nothing which will so enhance the value of Montana property as the completion of this road through the Territory It is well understood that it will begin at the head of Lake Superior, and running a westerly direction, strike the Missouri river either at the mouth of Muscleshell or Yellow stone thence with the stream it shall follow to the head, thence through the Rocky Mountains at some practicable point, touching the headwaters of the Columbia, and down that to the point of navigation on the west side of the mountains Every one is interested in this great enterprise We have now the telegraph which brings us in hourly communication with the great marts of the world, and supplies us every morning with news from our old homes, the States, and all civilization With the completion of the railroad we will be brought by travel within five or six days of any eastern city Immediate and quick commerce will be opened up to us, and what we cannot produce upon our own soil, can be laid at our doors with little cost, while the products of the Territory, which will be sought by all men everywhere, will be carried out cheap, and yet have a paying value in all the markets of the world The Government feels kindly, I am sure, towards this national enterprise and when it has seen the immense treasure which has been taken from our mountains and gulches and that we send gold by the boat load to the East, that the silver and copper mines are enormous and almost fabulous in their richness; that our soil is rich—growing the finest wheat and barley, potatoes cabbage, and other vegetables, with the richest and most nutritious grasses in the world, they will not hesitate to bring itself in immediate communication with us The Territory of Montana, large in area, rich in soil, and boundless in mineral resources, could live and prosper without any other portion of the world, but there are a noble, enterprising and patriotic set of men here who love the Constitution and Union of the United States, and who glory in our institutions, and therefore will use every effort to aggrandize the Government, while at the same time they will look to their own and the material interest of the Territory.

The completion of this road would also facilitate our mails, and bring us in nearer communication with the old settlements or the country Montana suffers greatly from the want of regular and direct mail I am sure if proper representations were made to the post office department, many of the difficulties we now labor under could be remedied The mails are brought from the East by Overland stages, via Salt Lake City, requiring from sixteen to thirty days from the Missouri river, whereas if a route was established and service put thereon, from Julesburg or Laramie, the distance would be shortened near six hundred miles, and the time at least eight or ten days The mining and commercial interest of this country, and its relation with the East, demand this postal arrangement at once, and I urge you to present the matter forcibly to the proper department There are other routes in the Territory which have been suggested to me, and which have been recommended to the Postmaster General and it is hoped he will grant us all that is needed for our business, happiness, and prosperity

At the last session of Congress a bill was introduced asking for an appropriation to survey and establish a wagon road up the Yellowstone river, from its mouth to Helena. The bill did not pass I am inclined to believe if a request is made by the people of this Territory, through their Legislature, to have a survey made of that river together with the Muscleshell, it will be granted for up one of these streams the North Pacific Railroad must run Besides, it is probable that two thirds of the year the Missouri river is not navigable above either of these streams, and the freight from the Missouri must be transported by wagon to its destination It is believed that the Yellowstone is navigable a great distance If so, it is altogether important for the people here as well as East to know it, and there is no body more proper to appeal to for the necessary information which if not already possessed, can be easily obtained than the Congress of the United States

Whether this road be built or not, or the survey of any of our streams be made, it is certainly important to afford ample protection to emigrants to this Territory, from the hostility and depredations of Indians on the routes already open The soldiers of the Government, stationed at different points, are mostly infantry, and totally inadequate to our protection. The expense of supporting these troops is immense, and yet massacres and robberies occur within a very short distance of the fortifications, and no material help or redress can be had I therefore recommend that your honorable body fully investigate this whole subject, and appeal to the general Government for the needed and proper protection. In conjunction with this, the people of the Territory must, to a great extent, depend upon themselves A well regulated and organized militia, should be at once provided by law There are, I know but few arms in the Territory, and a small quantity of ammunition—but as soon as this organization is accomplished, the Congress of the United States will give arms and ammunition abundantly You would do well to request the delegate in Congress to urge the passage of a bill to give us three thousand stand of arms, with ammunition, and one battery of artillery, (what is known as mountain howitzer, would be the best) Application has been made to the Secretary of the Territory for arms to be used by prospecting and mining parties on the waters of the Yellowstone, and but a small quantity can be furnished It is hoped, therefore, that some measure will be taken to supply the men who are developing the country, with arms to protect them against the savages of the Territory

The Indians have been very hostile the past summer, in certain parts of this Territory, and the Sioux had scarcely made a treaty with the Government, than they leaped upon the war path, and in conjunction with other tribes, with whom we had a right to expect peace, murdered and plundered our people You are well acquainted with the character of all the Indian tribes in this Territory, and a full and fair statement of facts from you will have its influence in Washington Appropriations, annuities, arms and ammunition should be withheld until they learn to respect their treaties, and the lives and property of the white man. If the Government will help us, we will be glad, and heartily cooperate but if not, we must take the matter in our own hands, and teach the red man that he cannot with impunity kill and rob We will be just and fair to them, but they must respect our rights

There is a large portion of this Territory almost unknown and uninhabited, because of this hostility, and, as I am informed, comprising as much mineral wealth as that already discovered, together with a fine and extensive agricultural region.

We need all the agricultural land for cultivation It is the basis of all wealth and prosperity—as the agricultural lands are opened and improved As corn, wheat, cattle and horses are raised, so is the material prosperity of a country enhanced. The Legislature should do all in its power to encourage this branch of industry, that we may soon see in these extended and rich valleys, the finest horses, cattle, sheep, and hogs, with every acre groaning with produce to fatten and prepare them for market. There is no necessity hereafter for buying a pound of flour, or pork, or beef, or mutton, or any kind of vegetables, from any State or Territory. The very best of wheat and barley have been raised in the valleys of Gallatin, Deer Lodge, Jefferson, and wherever they have been planted, and yet there are millions of acres lying idle, only awaiting the hand of energy and industry. We want these facts, for such they are, known to the entire country, and you must do your share of the duty in propagating them When well known, the time will be short indeed for every valley to be filled with tenements, and every hill shafted and tunneled; with mills on all the streams, separating the gold and silver and copper from the rough and brittle quartz.

I have in this indifferent and succinct manner, gentlemen, called your attention to such points as strike me at this time. I know I have overlooked many important matters, but it is left for you to make up the deficiency, and pass such laws as in your wisdom seems best

I congratulate you on assembling under such favorable auspices, and, coming as you do, from the people directly, to do their will They will look to your action with interest, and your wisdom and prudence in Legislation will go far to up build and strengthen the growth and prosperity of this beautiful Territory No one can predict the future of this western country, standing out in all magnificence and grandeur just as it fell, it seems, from the hands of Deity—a pure and healthy climate, with streams of gushing water, with all the resources the human mind could wish, or souls could ask What more is wanted? nothing. Nothing but industry, energy and skill With these, the time is not far distant when Montana will be amongst the first of States—proud in herself, and the pride of the nation!

GREEN CLAY SMITH

About Proclamations

EDITOR POST On the first day of the present session of the Legislature, that funny man, Hon. J. L. McCullough, attempted to be facetious at my expense, by moving that my proclamation, as mayor of the city, be spread upon the journals of the House I suppose I owe the honorable gentleman an apology for not publishing the proclamation he voluntarily wrote and presented to me for the occasion I know he expended a great deal of labor and exerted all his great talent in its production, and may justly feel hurt that I did not make use of it, and as it is now too late to do good, and to mollify his ill-feeling, I herewith attach the manuscript of the honorable gentleman, as he seems to desire its publication, in hopes that you will give it a place in your columns, for the benefit of the public in general, and that it may be preserved for after generations to read and know, as John Stanton would say, what high literary masses were elected to make laws for the people of Montana Respectfully,

J M CASTNER.

Proclamation.

Written by Hon J. L McCullough, member of the House of Representatives

To all whom it may concern, know ye that,

WHEREAS, On this 5th day of November A D 1866, the day fixed by law for the assembling of the third Legislature of the Territory of Montana Territory and whereas his excellency Green Clay Smith has issued his proclamation convening said assembly in accordance with law, and whereas Gen T F Meagher, Secretary of said Territory has made known to me, his intention to fire a national salute on this important occasion, and in honor of President Johonson's restoration policy now therefore I J M Castner mayor of Virginia City do hereby authorize and empower Gen T F Meagher to fire said salute and do hereby congratulate his excellency Governor Green Clay Smith Gen T F Meagher Secretary and the members of the Legislative Assembly, on their convening, and extend to them a hearty welcome to and the hospitalities of the city, hoping their wise deliberations may promote the best interest of our citizens so long and grievously oppressed by burthensome and unjust taxation

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THE MONTANA POST

HENRY N. BLAKE, - - - Editor.

Saturday, - - November 10, 1866.

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Reckless Extravagance.

It will be noticed by referring to our legislative reports that Secretary Thos F. Meagher perpetrated one of the best jokes of the season on the 6th inst, at the expense of the general government A committee was appointed to wait upon this official, to ascertain what measures had been taken by him to furnish the members with newspapers during the session The Secretary then informed the Legislature that each member would be supplied with six copies of the *Montana Democrat* and six copies of the *Rocky Mountain Gazette* per week. As there are thirty-nine gentlemen who are entitled to receive these sheets, it will be seen that their circulation is increased to the extent of 234 numbers We consider that no member requires more than one copy of these journals, and the additional quantity that the people must pay for is entirely needless We do not believe that they will be read, and the only object of General Meagher was to return his thanks to the proprietors of the *Democrat* and *Gazette* for their eulogies upon his public services We contend that they are not NEWS papers in the ordinary sense of that term The TRI-WEEKLY POST, issued upon Tuesday, will contain telegraphic dispatches which will not appear in the *Gazette* that will be furnished to the members, until the succeeding Tuesday, a difference of one week This is giving the Legislature news in the Irish style The telegraph is disregarded, and members who desire to obtain intelligence from Europe and the States, must subscribe for the POST One fact should be understood by every citizen of Montana The proprietors of this sheet pay for every telegram that is published regularly by the *Democrat* and *Gazette* Wilkinson, who blunders so much in quoting poety and Latin for the last named journal, may declare in its columns that he is under no obligations to the POST on account of its "falsehoods" "slanders" and "malevolence," but he does not hesitate to steal the dispatches for which D. W TILTON & Co foot the bills Major Bruce states that he will not give one cent for this information for which we cheerfully expend thousands of dollars. In the face of these facts, when all admit that the POST, if any paper, should receive the Territorial aid, Secretary Meagher exhibits his disapproval of and contempt for our course in giving to every citizen the advantages of the electric cord, by wasting the public funds upon the *Democrat* and *Gazette* Why did he not allow the members the use of one copy of the POST? Because, to quote the language that he uttered in our hearing while we were reporting the deliberations of the House, the POST "is edited by a blackguard, and conducted by a blackguard." To gratify his despicable feelings of revenge because we have performed our duty as a faithful and impartial editor, the extravagant number of *Democrats* and *Gazettes* is bestowed Wrapping paper will be abundant during the session, and our merchants will be glad to buy the packages of printed matter, and put them to some useful purpose. If General Meagher's drafts are given in payment for them, the money which may be received after deducting the costs of protests and the loss of interest, will not be a very large sum

SPLENDID RESULTS FROM THE LEGAL TENDER LODE.—It affords us intense satisfaction to announce the complete success of the first trial of the cupel furnace of Professor Augustus Steitz, who has recently erected his works in the Rattlesnake District The ore has yielded eighty per cent. of lead, and upon the 4th inst, one ton was placed in the furnace and subjected to the heat for the space of six hours. The lead was expelled and fifty pounds of pure silver remained. But this important fact is *overshadowed by another of a more satisfactory character.* Any person might secure a brick from such rich ore, but few men could run so close to the assay, and, wonderful, as it may appear, the loss in silver is between ¼ and ½ of one per cent. We congratulate the company that own these works upon their *good fortune* in possessing this claim upon the Legal Tender Lode. We also share with Professor Steitz the emotions of joy which must animate him at the present time. He has gained a practical and scientific triumph, and we advise certain parties who wish to learn the pr[illegible] in which to extract the [illegible] from gangue, to throw [illegible] theories and take a [illegible] from a younger but wiser

Governor Smith's Message.

We print in to-day's POST this important document, and commend its careful perusal to every citizen. It is written in a concise and simple style, and contains valuable statistics and information which will interest the residents of Montana Viewed as a whole we think that his recommendations are just and should be enforced by appropriate legislation. We were pleased to notice the absence of allusions to subjects of a political character, because we consider that they are wholly uncalled for on such occasions Many Governors introduce a partizan harangue into their messages, and thereby sacrifice their dignity to gain the applause of the crowd Highly pleased with this exhibition of gubernatorial taste, we proceed to notice in a general way some of the remarks of the Executive The subject of education is one of the most vital interest to the community, and occupies a prominent place in the message The negligence that has been displayed by certain officials who are pointed out in the report of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, requires the serious consideration of the Legislature We suppose that there will be no difference of views regarding this matter All will perceive with pleasure the sound condition of the Territorial finances The debt can be extinguished within a year unless some unforseen event takes place We were surprised to observe that the valuation of Madison county exceeds that of Edgerton more than $400,000 We forbear to comment upon this remarkable feature because we wish to know the manner in which the Assessors performed their arduous duties There is a mysterious appearance in the figures The Governor very justly condemns delinquent officers, and recommends the adoption of stringent measures in respect to Choteau, Meagher and Beaverhead He justly recommends that Choteau should be restored to its former position as a part of Edgerton The same punishment should be meted out to Meagher county, which should be annihilated in a legal sense, on account of its name, if no other reason existed The mail facilities and Indian troubles have been treated in a very satisfactory style, and we cordially support the Governor's propositions He has already acquired a deep knowledge of Montana and its institutions and productions, and we assure him that he has taken the wisest method to gain the good will of the people We regret to state that the typographical execution of the message, by the public printer, is of an inferior character Such a document, which will be deposited in the library of every State, should be printed in a style that would be creditable to the Territory and its presses, but Secretary Meagher entertains different views

Secretary Meagher's Drafts.

We do not intend to comment upon the official action of the Territorial Secretary in every number of the POST, but the article that appeared in the *Democrat* of the 8th inst, requires consideration In the first place, we disclaim the existence of any malicious motives, and the suggestions of other parties to the contrary are very unjust to ourselves. It cannot be denied that drafts amounting to thousands of dollars, signed by Gen Meagher have been protested in New York and returned to Montana Parties have lost the use of their money several months, and we presented their complaints in the POST, together with a statement of the cause Since our last editorial upon this matter was published, the gratifying intelligence was transmitted by telegraph that the difficulties which have hitherto existed, have been removed, and the drafts are now and will be paid There is no necessity for writing a long defense of our preceding articles relating to this question, and we cheerfully turn our attention to another subject. We rejoice that the Government is honoring the drafts of the Secretary, because the financial affairs of the Territory, respecting its relations to the national treasury, rest upon a firm basis, and everything will now go on harmoniously

Having had occasion to censure Gen. Meagher so frequently, we think it is our duty to employ different language regarding his conduct in preparing appropriate halls for the House and Council His arrangements and decorations have been marked by good taste and the convenience of members, spectators, and others, have been amply provided for In fact, it has been suggested that all thoughts of removing the capital have vanished since the law-makers convened in our city and occupied their comfortable seats. It affords us much pleasure to state that no Territory so distant from civilization as this, has been furnished with legislative facilities superior to those of Montana. The thanks of both branches of the Legislature were most properly tendered to the General, who had labored so faithfully to comply with the desires of the members. In uttering these sentiments, we are confident that every person will support us and we cheerfully place our opinions in the columns of the impartial POST.

The National Policy.

The Republican party has gained during the present week the most decisive victories, and the political campaign, which commenced in Maine and Vermont with brilliant success, has been gloriously finished The people that destroyed slavery and defeated the armies of treason, have pronounced their mandate, and it is the duty of every patriotic citizen to respect and obey it The policy of Congress has been vindicated, and it is no longer the platform of partisan organization, but the governing principle of the country. The constitutional amendment, which has already been formally adopted by the legislatures of several States, has been accepted at the polls by overwhelming majorities. It is now the solemn duty of the President to perform the promises which he has repeated upon so many public occasions, to carry out the will of the American people to whom he has always professed to be a most humble servant If he disregards that voice, as expressed by Missouri, West Virginia and other States in the recent elections, we shall consider that he has forfeited the confidence of all who have stood by him in his determination to abide by the result of this political struggle The forces of the President have been vanquished, and he has ascertained that he is wrong and Congress is right, if he employs the rule of action that he has enforced in his speeches We regret to notice, that, instead of messages of conciliation, and the acceptance of the people's fiat in good faith, intelligence is transmitted that the Executive is firm and more determined than ever to establish his political dogmas He is not Moses, but a Pharaoh, and hardens his heart whenever he listens to the rejoicings of loyal millions, who desire to see a permanent union based upon the Constitution After each battle has been fought, and the legions of the President have been routed, the journals have invariably asserted that his faith was unchanged One thing is certain With a large majority in the present and next Congress, opposed to his policy, it will be impossible for him to restore to their seats in the national councils ten States that voluntarily abandoned their rights to them and appealed to the bloody sword of war The result is obvious The adoption of the constitutional amendment is the wisest means by which the harmony of the country can be upheld When this vital measure has been incorporated into the national ægis, the existing discontent will disappear, and the *United* States will be the most powerful of republics and the most devoted promoter of all that is exalted and ennobling in a land of universal freedom

Correspondence.

JEFFERSON BRIDGE, Nov 6, 1866

EDITOR TRI-WEEKLY POST I notice an item in your paper of the 1st instant, in which a certain portion of my road between Virginia and Helena Cities is styled a "positive nuisance," in consequence of ditches having been constructed across the highway in Prickley Pear City Presuming the item in question was furnished by parties living in Prickley Pear, I wish through the medium of your paper to make a statement of the facts in relation to the matter By the charter, my road extends from Jefferson *Bridge to Prickley Pear, and I am not* obliged to build a road through Prickley Pear City, or any other city The facts in the case are these There was a good stage road through that one horse town, and it would have remained a good road, but the inhabitants living at that place have all along been digging ditches across the street and otherwise obstructing the road, and when I have remonstrated with them for not leaving the road in as good order as when they found it, I have been abused Also when *Gov Polinger, Holladay's energetic* division agent, has complained to them about it, he was told that they had a right to dig up the road Such being the case, we have marked out a new road on the west side of the town, which is a little nearer than through it, and the travel, together with the stages, now goes that way We intend to work this new road and kill off this far famed city, unless they abate that "positive nuisance" which the inhabitants themselves have committed One thing is certain, they won't compel "old Parsons" to pave their streets or build their sidewalks One thing more, many think I am making a fortune on this road I have expended the past year over eight thousand dollars from the bridge to Helena, which is every dollar the road has earned during the time This I can prove to the satisfaction of any unprejudiced man. I have expended several hundred dollars voluntarily, between Prickley Pear and Helena, which portion of the road is not included in my charter

Yours truly,
NELSON M. PARSONS

JEFFERSON CITY, M T., Oct 29

EDITOR POST. Why should the praises of Jefferson be unsung when so many of the lesser lights, in our estimation, are creating such a brilliancy? It has been our misfortune, almost our only one, to be quite too near the famous city of Helena, so that capitalists and company agents as they pass, always anxious to reach the great metropolis, "could come back any day next week," for instance; but, alas, they have almost universally neglected their own interest and failed to do so. Thinking like this, I came to the conclusion not to let our light be hidden under a bushel any longer, but to show to the world the splendor of our quartz and the unsurpassing richness of this region, that none need be longer blinded by ignorance or stupidity with excuse The mode for their enlightenment was at once selected, knowing the extensive circulation of the POST, that its pages are perused by all the intelligent and go aheadative (that being the sort whose interest we wish to enlist) portion of the people not only here, but elsewhere We are fully persuaded in our own mind that if its columns are open to us, and we can do justice to our subject, we need have no further anxiety concerning the brightness of our future.

The location of Jefferson town is invariably conceded to be in one of the most beautiful, healthy and fertile valleys of the Territory The lodes in the vicinity are legion, and as the Gregory seems at present to be receiving the most attention, we will follow the custom so far as to let it stand at the head of the list There are two different parties working upon various portions of the lode One of these parties, under the supervision of Dr Russell, agent for an eastern mining company, (here let me make an exception of this gentleman from the agents before referred to, *for he* has treated our mines with the deference they deserve, and carried on his work with energy and perseverance,) have succeeded in striking the vein upon the company's claim—No 3 N E —at a depth of 65 feet, by tunneling a distance of one hundred and twenty feet, the workmanship of which cannot be surpassed in any of the mines, revealing a crevice of beautiful ore, which had not terminated at a width of six feet at last reports This company, undoubtedly, will have a smelter in operation as early as possible the ensuing spring The other party, under the direction of the discoverers, Messrs Axers and Mimmaw's, have been tracing the lode with success on discovery claim and No 1 N E The principal shaft on discovery claim has a well defined crevice of four feet in width, which continues to widen as they go down This lode is now so well developed that the most skeptically inclined cannot fail to be convinced of its reality This ore has many times been tested by assayers, and always with fabulous results It is silver-bearing quartz, and will without doubt prove a fortune to the owners The same parties, encouraged by this success, have determined to unite and together work upon a lode in close proximity to the Gregory, and of the same nature—a new discovery, named in honor of the finder, the "Axe lode" Preparations are being rapidly made to thoroughly prove other lodes—the Indiana, Corris Annie, Olive and others, all being of a similar galenic nature and assaying highly

I think that I have convinced you that we have considerable enterprise in our midst, notwithstanding our long waiting for uncles, cousins, or near relations to come and put their shoulder to the wheel and give us a lift We are not overwhelmed with disappointment in consequence of their failure to do so, but will show to the world when we reap the reward of our toil and patience, that we "were not dead but sleeping"

Educational matters are also being attended to, and through the winter we will have a public school.

The proceedings of the Legislature will be eagerly watched by our people, and we hope that many amendments to our present laws will be made which will prove a benefit to the miner, especially do we hope to see a change in the law respecting "Tunnels," which as it is, does not give the miner sufficient ground upon the lode which he may, with great expense to himself, chance to strike, to remunerate him for his time and labor

Often hearing of men having "quartz on the brain," and not belonging to that class, will subscribe myself as

QUARTZ IN THE CREVICE

Thanksgiving Proclamation.

By the President of the United States

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, has been pleased to vouchsafe to us as a people, another year of that national life which is an indispensable condition of peace, security, and progress That year, moreover, has been crowned with many peculiar blessings The civil war that was so recently among us has not been anywhere re-opened Foreign intervention has ceased to excite alarm or apprehension Intrusive pestilence has been benignly mitigated Domestic tranquility has improved Sentiments of conciliation have largely prevailed, and affections of loyalty and patriotism have been widely renewed. Our fields have yielded quite abundantly, our mining industry has been richly rewarded, and we have been allowed to extend our railroad system far into the interior recesses of the country, while our commerce has resumed its customary activity in foreign seas These great national blessings demand a national acknowledgment

Now, therefore, I, Andrew Johnson, President of the United States, do hereby recommend that Thursday, the twenty-ninth day of November next, be set apart and be observed everywhere in the several States and Territories of the United States, by the people thereof, as a day of thanksgiving and praise to Almighty God, with due remembrance that in His temple doth every man speak of His honor I recommend, also, that on the same solemn occasion we do humbly and devoutly implore Him to grant to our national councils and to our whole people that divine wisdom which alone can lead any nation into the ways of all good.

In offering these national thanksgivings, praises and supplications, we have the Divine assurance that the Lord remaineth a King forever. Them that are meek shall he guide in judgment, and such as are gentle shall He learn His way. The Lord shall give strength to His people, and the Lord shall give to His people the blessings of peace.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed. Done at the city of Washington, this eighth day of October, eighteen hundred and sixty-six, and of the independence of the United States the ninetieth.

(Signed) ANDREW JOHNSON.

By the President.

W. H. Seward, Secretary of State.

ARRIVAL OF A MACKINAW.—Yesterday morning a mackinaw boat arrived at this port, direct from Fort Benton. The party numbered twenty-two, and made the passage in thirty-one days, having started from Benton on the 13th day of September last. She had fair weather all the way down, with a good run, notwithstanding the very low stage of the water, from the Indians they experienced no trouble, not being cursed with the sight of a single redskin Most of the party have been in the mountains during the past three years, and have met with success One of the miners has $10,000 in dust, another upwards of $5,000; the whole amount of dust being worth over $50,000. The boat is styled the "Redwing," and is now at our levee, and has been visited by a number of our citizens.—*St Joseph Herald, 18th ult*

—The first public message ever sent by electric telegraph, went from Baltimore to Washington, dated the 14th of June, 1844, addressed to Silas Wright of New York, announcing the nomination by the Democratic Convention then in session in the former city, of Polk, for the Presidency A member of Congress was defeated in Indiana for re election, in consequence of his vote sustaining an appropriation of $25,000 to aid the enterprise, on the ground that "a man who could be made to believe in such a humbug was too big a fool to go to Congress

WE were yesterday shown some rich and beautiful specimens of gold bearing quartz, by David McClanor of Virginia City, Montana Territory Some of the samples shown were from newly discovered mining localities, which promise to equal in richness any yet worked in that Territory The new lead is located in what is known as the Summit District Mr McClanor is an old resident of the Territory, and represents to us that the mineral richness of Montana is as yet far from being freely developed Some of his specimen quartz is really beautiful, even to other eyes than those of the experienced metallurgist He is en route with his samples to Philadelphia, where some persons interested in the new "claim" reside.—*St Joe Union*

EPISCOPAL APPOINTMENT.—The House of Bishops have unanimously appointed the Rev Mr Tuttle to be Bishop of the new Diocese of Montana and Nevada, which was rendered vacant by the refusal of Dr Howe to accept it after his appointment by the last general convention Mr Tuttle, the new prelate, is comparative young, having only attained his 36th year

—AT the Republican National Convention of 1864, when a proposition was made in the Wisconsin delegation to unite their vote in favor of Andrew Johnson for Vice President, Gov Randall, now Johnson's right hand man and Postmaster General, opposed the motion "No," said he "I know Andrew Johnson better than you do He is a bad, treacherous man, and unfit for the office"

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—O P Raymond has an excellent assortment of fresh green apples, which may be bought at his stand in the Novelty Store Buy them and they will do you good

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—Farmers and gardeners attention! I have just received a lot of No 1 onion sets, which I propose selling to suit purchasers First come first served JAMES A. RYAN,
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—Content has just received a large addition to his stock of fashionable clothing, which is the largest in the city, and all who desire any article of apparel can find just what they want at Content's store

—The "History of the Vigilantes" is now finished, and for sale at the City Book Store, in Virginia City, and at Benj R. Dittes' office in Helena Buy a copy of the first book printed and published in Montana

—The article on "Montana," which was published in the TRI-WEEKLY POST of the 6th inst, was written by A. D Richardson, and appeared in Beadle's Monthly. Its excellence justified us in taking so much space in the paper

—The office of the telegraph is in the store of Creighton & Ohle, and the line is daily transmitting messages to all parts of the country and world Parties having any business to transact will be attended to by the gentlemanly operator, Mr Hughes

—The "History of the Vigilantes" has been printed, and is nearly ready for subscribers, reading matter of every style, the Sacramento Union, and other valuable newspapers and stationery may be procured at the City Book Store

—An "evil wind" at the Summit on the night of the 4th inst, gained a victory over the mechanics of Montana, and partially destroyed some buildings We regret to learn that the roof of Col Poselwait's mill was completely shattered A few carpenters and masons will receive the good, if any results

—CORRECTION —The "Legal-Tender Lode" is chiefly owned by Messrs. Esler and others, who have contracted to supply the company, for which Prof Steitz extracted fifty pounds of silver from a ton of lead, with two hundred (200) tons of ore The company that owns the cupel furnace does not possess any claim on the lead

—Judge Taliafero, who was formerly a terror to evil doers when he was police magistrate of Virginia City, arrived on the 8th instant from Diamond City. He is as stout and vigorous as ever and is en route to California, to join his family, with whom he designs to return in the spring.

—Father Vancina arrived at this city on the 8th inst, and will assume the charge of the Catholic church The members of this flock will be gratified to receive the intelligence, and many welcomes will greet the priest in performing his holy tasks in this community.

—J. J. Roe & Co. have just sold out their large stock of groceries to Messrs. Marx & Heidenheimer, whose advertisement may be seen in another column We lose a veteran firm by this change, but trust that the successors, who are young and energetic men, will fill the place as well as store of the retiring members.

—A statement recently appeared in an Helena newspaper that Mr. Geeke and two other parties were murdered while descending the Missouri in a skiff They arrived at their homes in safety, and Mr. Geeke has written a letter to his friends in the Territory, informing them that he is as well "as other white man"

—Among the crowd of office-seekers who besieged the members of the Legislature, we observed the form of Major Brookie. He was ingloriously defeated and received only one vote for Chaplain, and was indebted to a political opponent for this small favor. Mr. Duncan who is busily engaged in excavating a tunnel at the Summit, was chosen but the House has not yet had the benefit of his prayers.

—We propose to give an impartial record of the proceedings of the Legislature A member of the Council furnishes the report of the doings of that body, and we shall attend the sessions of the House regularly. We do not intend to give the speeches of members in full but shall give a complete summary of all petitions, resolves, laws and other measures that may be acted upon Any errors that may be perceived will be cheerfully corrected whenever our attention is called to them.

—Charles Hendrie, Esq, who owns an extensive foundry in Burlington, Iowa, has been making a tour through the Territory. He informs us that he intends to build in Helena a machine shop and branch of his works. It will be a desirable undertaking for Montana, and we think that the proprietor would be amply rewarded. Mr. Hendrie owns four quartz mills, which he constructed in his establishment, and designs to put into practical use at once One will be located in the Summit district, another in New York Gulch, and the third will commence to crush the quartz upon the celebrated rich Union lode, owned by Whitlatch. The remaining mill is in Virginia City.

—We were highly gratified to perceive the lovely faces of the gentler sex in the House upon the 6th inst. The stern faces of the members always greet our eyes as we look toward the gallery, and the change was exceedingly agreeable. The ladies were deeply interested in the motions and remarks of the legislators, who trust that they will call frequently.

—An energetic company propose to construct a bedrock flume in Alder gulch next season, and are already adopting the proper measures to secure this important object. Water will be brought from the Stinkingwater without difficulty, and a head of 4,000 inches can be obtained. It will take seven years to wash all the gravel, and the prosperity of Virginia City will be greatly affected by its success. Messrs. James McEvily, John Donegan, and other practical miners, are interested in the project, and it will be pushed forward with their usual energy The company will be incorporated by the Legislature, and is certain to receive the aid of capitalists.

—It will be noticed that Mr Mayhew has been triumphantly re-elected to his post of honor in the House of Representatives, the Speakership He performed the duties of this important office in the last Legislature with ability and impartiality, and we congratulate him upon the successful result of the canvass Although he is a sterling and consistent Democrat, he received the votes of the Republican members, including the veteran legislator, Mr Smith, of Bannack Mr Mayhew has had considerable experience in law making bodies, and has served in every session of the Legislature of Montana It is needless to add that he is a popular man, and aside from his political principles, has a good record as a citizen, and stands high as an advocate

—Judge McCullough expounded the law during the week in the following cases On the 7th inst., Geo Dixon, arrested by officer Grimes for an assault, fined $20 and costs, on the 8th inst; Dick Flippin, arrested by officer Grimes for fighting, fined $20 and costs, Jno Spike, arrested by officer Smith for drunkenness, fined $5 and costs, Wm Rogers, arrested by officer Smith for an assault and battery, fined $5 and costs, on the 9th instant, Geo Washington (not the father of his country, but a barber,) arrested by officer Smith for committing an assault, fined $5 and costs We have had Chinese, Dutch, Irish and other national rows, in the last two months, and the negroes imitated their bad example and had a pugilistic encounter, the results of which are recorded in the foregoing list

—We do not wish to circulate painful rumors, but if we are not mistaken Hon S McLean is dead He departed for Washington several months since, carrying in his pocket credentials as a Delegate to Congress from Montana, and has not been heard from by his constituents The Indians may have his scalp, the Republicans may have destroyed him, but this is mere conjecture No documents containing information for the people of the Territory has been transmitted to the citizens and we fear that his supporters will never see him again That he is politically dead, everybody will admit That he is now living in the world of the "spirits," we believe to be the fact Under these circumstances, we hope that the proper authorities will declare that a vacancy exists, and enable Montana to select another candidate

—The following trains arrived during the week On the 3d inst, six wagons, in charge of J Ruy, from Salt Lake, with goods for P Lambrecht & Son, started on the 1st ult, two wagons in charge of C Griswold, with apples for self, from Salt Lake, which he left on the 9th ult, two wagons in charge of Benj F Stoddard, with salt for Col Rees, from Salt Lake, which he started from on the 1st ult, on the 6th, seven wagons in charge of R H Bernard, with goods for Creighton & Ohle, from Salt Lake, which he left on September 20th, on the 7th inst, eighteen wagons in charge of Lee & Taylor, who left Salt Lake on the 3d ult, on the 8th inst, three wagons in charge of Joseph Bates, with goods for J M Knight, from Salt Lake, which he left on the 10th ult, on the 9th inst, sixteen wagons, in charge of John Young, with flour for S. Street, from Salt Lake, which he left on Sept. 23d This long list of importations from only one point looks like activity in business

—A misunderstanding prevails regarding the election of County Commissioners in Madison, and we present the facts as we understand them We are informed that two reliable gentlemen, Messrs. Geo W Irwin and J D Douglas, who were clerks of the election in Virginia City one year ago, made a mistake of 100 votes against Capt Rodgers which were omitted in footing up the returns The error was discovered by them and Messrs Irwin and Douglas notified Mr R Hill that they desired to amend their return by adding 100 votes to the number which Capt Rodgers had received. Mr Hill observed that he would make the necessary correction, and that no honorable man would take advantage of the mistake. We maintain that the board should be constituted in the following manner Messrs Rodgers, Stanly and Potter, the last named gentleman taking the place of Mr Ezekiel, who received the smallest number of votes. Mr Ezekiel protests against the right of Mr Rogers to retain his seat at the board to which we think he was legally and fairly elected

—The halls for the Legislative bodies have been prepared with considerable labor and skill, and reflect great credit upon the good taste of the parties who had charge of them The desks and chairs for the members, the external and internal decorations and all the matters connected with the same, have been arranged in the most satisfactory manner The American flag will wave over each house while it is in session. The national coat of arms has been placed over the entrance to the chambers, and the eagle holds in his firm beak the patriotic motto, "E Pluribus Unum." The air of comfort that circulates through the mind of the visitor as he gazes upon the members, creates a desire to share with them their easy seats Viewed as a whole, we are highly pleased with the appearance of the law-makers, and do not think that they will ruin the Territory by their legislation. Most of them are Democratic in politics, and this is the chief objection that would be raised against them. The only black sheep in the flock is Wilkinson of the Council, but his calibre is so limited that he is of no account in the Legislature or out of it. He has the royal blood of King Log in his veins.

Helena Locals.

—An interesting episode has been furnished by the case of John Gibbs and others, against James Taylor, better known as the Confederate mining case, now pending in the District Court for this district An order was made in this action in the October term by Chief Justice Hosmer, restraining the defendants from the commission of certain acts in the premises until the first day of the succeeding term, when they were required to show cause why the injunction should not be continued until the final decision of the action. Some two weeks ago, upon motion of the defendant's attorneys, Messrs. Williams & May, the Hon. T. W. Taliafero, Probate Judge of Meagher county, set aside this order, and his opinion in the matter was published at length in the columns of the Gazette. On the 2d inst., Mr. Cavanaugh, the counsel for plaintiffs, obtained from Justice Williston an order of attachment against the person of Judge Taliafero for a contempt, in setting aside an order made by a superior court in an action pending in said court. The question of the power of the Probate Judge to act in the matter was discussed by Judge Taliafero, in his opinion, and decided in favor of himself. We have not heard whether this order of attachment has been executed or not. In case it is, there will be presented to the court a question of law of great interest and importance, as defining the jurisdiction of Probate Justices and their courts.

—It may not be known to the people of Helena that we have within the city limits mining ground so rich that if it was situated a hundred miles or more from here, would occasion a great stampede. In a little ravine running into Dry gulch, and called by the miners "Bowery Gulch," there are several very fine claims, from one of which we saw a pan of dirt taken which yielded over twenty cents, and this, too, without any "salting." In several gulches hereabouts, the ground has been laid over until next spring, but those who have good claims are working them as vigorously as ever.

—Game is being brought into market every day We saw at a market on Broad street, ten beautiful black-tail deer, which had been brought in by one hunter from Crow Creek. This man reports that deer in that part of the country are becoming scarce and hunters plenty, so much so that they will soon outnumber the animals they seek

—From a friend recently from Pipestone, we have report of a rich gulch discovered there about a week ago, as well as a newly discovered quartz lode.

—J. O Turner, formerly one of the proprietors of the Tremont House, left for Virginia on the 3d inst

—There will be a private soiree dansante at the Young America Hotel, the old Post Office building, on Thursday evening, Nov. 8th. Justice McCarty is one of the committee of arrangements, and from him can be obtained further information

—Strange to say, there has been no business before our Police Court for two days. It is almost time for another outbreak of the belligerent disposition of the bummers, and we anticipate that Sunday will atone for the previous remissness in this respect

—We notice that a new market has been opened next to the Radiator office, on West Main street The proprietor is from the other side of the divide, and calls his place the Boise market

—The Catholics have purchased the bell of the steamer Marion, for their new church. The sound of a church bell will be a strange one in this Territory, and if by it we are reminded of our former homes, and of what Sunday there is, there will be a new element of civilization introduced among us

—Judge Talliafero, whose case was mentioned in our last, was brought back to Helena on Saturday afternoon by deputy sheriff Alexander. The case was taken up on the same evening and after an able argument, though a brief one, by Mr Shober on behalf of the ex-Probate Justice, in which he contended that a misapprehension by a judicial officer of the powers conferred upon him is no ground for an attachment for contempt, and that the statutes of the Territory defining the powers and duties of Probate Justices, might be understood to confer upon those officers the power exercised in this instance by Judge Talliafero, the Court ordered an answer to be filed, and adjourned the case until Monday morning, when it will be disposed of before any other business is taken up

—"X" has returned to town after a long absence This gentleman, we believe, is the only acting deputy U. S Marshal in Helena at present, and will find plenty of business for the next few days "X" is supposed to have had something to do with the introduction of a very peculiar style of hat, specimens of which have made their appearance to the great astonishment and perplexity of the sojourners about Last Chance

—Sunday was a lively day A great number of horses and plenty of other stock changed hands Fighting began early, the first set-to taking place before 9 A M between two residents of the city After this there was a lull which continued unbroken until late in the evening, when hostilities were resumed

—A few persons saddled their cayuses and departed secretly on Saturday night for the mouth of Prickly Pear, the inducements being the report of newly discovered diggings there which are said to give $15 per day to the man

—A pack train of sixteen mules laden with goods for a Bridge street firm arrived here on Sunday from Walla Walla

—The Crystal Palace Hotel has been purchased by Gans & Klein, who will continue it as a hotel

—Some sharp practice has been resorted to by the frequenters of the gambling houses — There have been two or three instances where the proprietors have found lead instead of dust in their customers pursues when they came to weigh out In these cases the owner of the purse had been called outside to see a friend and forgot to return

—On Sunday evening Ned Ward took a fare well benefit at the Helena Theatre There was little to note in the performance, the minstrel portion being in great part identical with that given at a former exhibition Ned seemed hardly in as good trim as usual Joe Mabbott sang Pat Maloy, and upon an encore, being demanded, gave "To the West," a good song, as everbody knows, which he sang in a style worthy of the piece. The parable of Lazarus and the rich man, by Sam Lewis, delighted the audience, and it is impossible to say how long they would have kept him on the stage had he not reminded them that there was a long programme to go through with. The audience was an uncommonly large one and not a very quiet one

—Mr C C. Huntly left Helena for San Francisco, via Salt Lake, on the morning of the 5th

—As a result of the pugnacious spirit which displayed itself on Sunday last, six cases of assault and battery stand on the dockets of our police justices to be disposed of as soon as possible.

—The new court-room is so nearly finished as to answer the purpose of the court. There is no room, however, in the building for the Grand Jury, who will therefore make use of the Wood street court-room

DIED.

KINNEY—Near Corvallis, Oregon, August 10th, Mary, wife of Col James Kinney.

KINNEY—September 29th, John, son of Col. James and Mary Kinney, residing near Corvallis, Oregon.

DIED.

THOMPSON—On the Yellowstone fleet on the passage down the river, Mrs. Thompson, late of Virginia City.

The above was communicated in a letter from D. D. L. McCulloch to Dr. Gibson, P. M.

DEPARTURES OF STAGES.

HOT SPRING EXPRESS leaves Virginia City on alternate days, from Davis, Housel & Co's store, on Wallace street

THE OVERLAND STAGE, for the East, leaves this city Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, next week Fare to Salt Lake City, $75, in bankable dust.

RAPER'S GALLATIN EXPRESS leaves Virginia City on Thursday, and arrives Tuesday night, of each week. Office at Davis, Housel & Co's Wallace street.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

REGULAR meetings of the Virginia City, R. A. Chapter, every Monday evening, at 7 o'clock, p m. J. J. HULL, H P.

REGULAR meetings of Virginia City Lodge, No. 1, of A. F & A. M, the second and fourth Saturdays of each month, at 7 o'clock p. M. J. J. HULL, W. M.

Wilbur F. Sanders,

ATTORNEY at Law, opposite Planters' House, Idaho street. 115

LETTER LIST.

Letters remaining unclaimed in the Post Office, Virginia City, Montana Territory, Nov 8, 1866.

To obtain these letters the applicant must call for "advertised letters," give the date of this list, and pay two cents for advertising.

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Atherton Geo R	Ahers Thos P
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Abernethy W H	Adams J B
Adams T B	Adams George
Adams F C	
Ballard D C	Bailey John
Baylis R N	Barry Wm
Bell Simon	Bemer B
Beard Molen	Bell Jas
Blake J E	Blake S R
Bedell E	Bishop Chas
Blake D W	Bircherial N
Blakely T J	Bishop Jas
Blacker Jacob	Benjamin Geo
Biggs R M	Bogy Felix
Boyle P M 2	Boyd M
Boyer Jos J	Bryan Wm J
Bryant J A 3	Bratt D D
Bricher P M	Brooks H T
Brod J A	Bruton M
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Burke R	Buchanan J
Campbell A G	Caldwell Jas J 2
Caldwell John R	Case S
Carrial Theodore	Carr S V
Cain Joseph	Caldwell C C
Carter Robert	Campbell W W
Casley James	Coley C M
Church John	Cline Jacob 2
Cole Wallace	Cosgrove Patrick
Clinton George	Cookman D J
Crowe Wm H	Cooper M D
Coode Sam	Cowell G
Clark Rufus	Cogswell Wm R
Crowe J C	Cutler J B
Craig C L	Crume P M
Craig H M	
Davis John H 4	Denney James 6
Davis A J	Day H E
Dearmon Thos	Davis Daniel
Davis John G	Denny Robert
Davis John B	Dow M G
Dibble Carint	Dilworth J R
Donoghue Wm	Duncan M S
Edes Augustus	Eastman J B
Lugle G W	Elliott A R
Evans Josiah	
Farnam N	Farr C A
Fairbank Louisa	Ferguson B
Foster A	Flanigan M A
Fillingham E J	Fields Wm
Finch Mrs M	Foy John P
Fitch H M	Field John
Flichinger John	Flecher D P
Fulford Jesse	Franklin Ben
Freeland John	Fraser Wm
Freeman Wm H	
Grove B	Graham George
Gray R C	Graves George
Grant J M	Gravelle Frank
Green John W	Griffith John
Gordon C P 2	Gildersleeve J H 2
Golding C H	Gordon J M 4
Gordon James	Gardner Peter S
Gage S T	Gemmel Miss Janette
Gardner S B 2	Gassent Henry
Hynderman George	Hubbard Miss Mary E
Hurlbart H A 2	Hubbard Wm C
Hull Oliver	Humbert J O
Holdridge David 2	Holmes A V 2
Hopkin P D	Horner Wm
Hiatt A J	Hines Daniel 2
Hicks James	Hitchcock
Hefley Henry	Head N W
Heyser Wm P	Hepp J
Heraden Ezra	Hess Wm
Hendrixson A	Heseman L E
Harrison Charles	Hamilton Wm P 2
Hatherill Solomon	Hall J W 3
Harris Miss V	Haskell John
Hawkins C	Hall J N
Hamlin John	Hansbrough Wm
Haven Geo D	Hayden J P
Hathaway J B	Harding John A
Hall Miss Mary M	Hayes J M 2
Harrison W H	
Irwin Johnston	Immler F C
Jacoby T	Jumler F C
James Hickman	Johnson Capt
Jones Jesse 2	Jones John W
Johnston Wm 2	Johnston Wm
Johnston James 3	Jones H M
Jones John	Johnson Geo L 2
Jones S J E	Johnson G J
Jones Wm C	Johns W D
King N M	Kirby C S
King C H	King Richard
King John C	Kaster J H & Co
Kelly G F	Kessler Sebastian
Kelley T J	Kelley James
Kelly Hugh	
Lindley O	Loomis Hiram
Lucas Wm	Lough John
Lions Hugh	Loomis E J
Lyon M L	Lyon H R
Leach Isaac	Lewellyn G W
Lewis Stephen	Lewis Geo T
Lewis Joseph	Lewis John 2
Lewis John W	Lewis J R
Lewis George	Lattin Marshal
Leach A P	Dadue G H
Lawson W J	Lee & Taylor
McCreary Joseph	McClary Joseph R
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McLaughlin John	McCoart John
McMiller John	McAllister T
McCollum D	McDonnell M
McColmas W R	McKetrich Ab
Murray Miss E E	Muthersbaugh Jos
Murdaugh J R	Monroe A C
Morse Charles	Montgomery Jos
Montgomery Josiah	Moreing C W 2
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Mills Alexander	Milldge Charles
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Newman Amy	Nihan D C 2
Neat S G	Neal Mrs H
Omstein Wm D	Osborne P S
O'Meil J T 3	Orr L A 2
Olson J P	Onstot A
Pool George	Putnam J B
Price B F	Powell Wm E
Pierce O A 2	Powell Samuel
Porterfield R S	Pullman Walter
Pratt A C	Plummer Joel H
Pfeil Henry	Peck H L 7
Patten Byron	Pashley J A
Pierson J R	Perkins Albert
Palmer D A	Page J E
Paddock A G	Pearce J C
Pease F D	Peacock John
Parker J B	
Rea G W	Reinauer Marx 8
Randolph F M	Reim Wm
Ramsey Mrs Mary	Rest Henry
Redmond Soshua	Rarich Peter
Ridenorn Wm	Richards Joseph
Rishton S	Richardson S
Riley Jerry	Robb John C
Rae C L	Rogers Joe
Rogers Reuben	Roese F A
Ross Mary E	Roberton A C
Royce Orville	Roberts Mrs G U
Robinson Harvey	Rugh Jacob
Ryan Wm	Rutherford
Rumsey Joseph 2	
Smith Sam	Smith N 4
Smith J E 2	Smith Sylvester
Smith E L	Smith Joel
Smith A L	Strong D A
Sweat W A 3	Stewart Ed
Slater A B	Summers Aaron
Stadler J	Stanley A
Strond O W	Stewart D M
Summer Aaron	Strong Wm R 2
Somers Hugh	Stanley O C 6
Spalding D	Sommer Joseph
Snyder Wm	Smart Charles A
Smallwood J P	Simmons Dawson 2
Short Ira	Shelp Charles M
Simms Silas	Shurll S B
Simpson Miss E D	Shoat F E
Simpson John T	Shepherd H H
Shaw T H	Shoenohbeck John
Sinclair James	Sanders S L
Sebree W R	Schleigh Wm H
Seger C V	Scott W W
Scott J W	Sawyer L A
Savage J H	Sands D & Co
Sands Isaac	
Truman Ed	Turley G W
Turner J C	Tregellas James
Thomas Jesse	Thomas Hugh
Townsend Ed	Thorpe J C
Thongood A	Thompson L G
Titus Bob	Titus J B
Townsend E E	Thomas Geo
Thomas Jesse	Teals E A
Talty Frank	Taylor Thos
Talman R F	
Uphobinoh Winship	
Vanderrooft C 13	Vowell L E 6
Vanhoorebeck Al	Voy Hans
Van Alston C	Vanaukin L C
Virden H N	Vanslckel H
Vorden H N	
Wight Miss J B	Woolverton Mrs E
Woolverton Miles	Woody Taswell
Wood L W 2	Woodward Mrs E
Wood Rev M	Woodard A A
Woolverton W W	Wood Wm D
Williams F L	Williams E M
Whipple Miss E	Wilson Wm B
Williams J C	Wilhite W C
Wilson J H	Winter Chas
White John A	Wisehart Wm
Winans Sam	White Jas
White Jeff	Wing Chas
Wheeler James	Willis Wm
Wheat G B	Wilson John G
Wille T A	Williams G
Wheeler J F	Wolfe E R
Williams Grenberg	Wilson Saml
Watson John	Whipple H C
Warren John	West Frank C 9
Waterman L A 3	Weeks C L
West B H	Watson E B
White W B	Webber Wm
Warner Dewitt	Wayland Stephen
Wardwell J E	Wescott L E
Welch C P	
Young H J N	Young Mrs A
Young Geo F	Young E C
Yates R V	Young & Hitchcock
Yeldell R C	

JAMES GIBSON, P. M.

MARKET REPORT.

CORRECTED BY

SPARKS, M'PHERSON & HALL, No. 69, Main Street.

Helena, November 9, 1866

[We wish it to be understood that quotations represent prices in gold of large lots from first hands, unless otherwise stated, and that in filling orders, higher rates have to be paid]

FLOUR
St Louis ⅌ Sack ... $14 00@16 00
Western Spring Extras ... 12 00@14 00
Salt Lake, Provo, ... 9 50@10 50
Other brands ... 9 00@ 9 25
Gallatin Mill ... $9 50@10 50
States,
Hall's Self Rising ... 12 50
Cannon's Self Rising ... 12 50

CANNON'S HELENA CRACKERS.
Butter ⅌ ℔ ... 25c
Soda ... 25
Pic Nic ... 30

BACON.
Heavy sides ⅌ 100 lbs ... 40c
Medium Sides ⅌ 100 lbs ... 38c

HAMS
Prime Canvassed ⅌ ℔ ... 55c
Country ... 45@50c

LARD
Large cans .35@37½c | Small cans ... 45c

CANDLES
Work's Cincinnati ⅌ ℔ ... @40c
Other brands ... 37½@40c

SUGARS
Clarified 37 1-2@40c | Crushed 37 1 7@40c
Powdered ... 45c | Refined A 37 1 2@40c

COFFEE
Rio choice ⅌ ℔ ... 38c | Ordinary ... 36c

TEAS
Imperial ⅌ ℔ ... 2 25@2 50
Young Hyson ⅌ ℔ ... 2 00@2 25
Japanese, in papers, ⅌ ℔ ... 1 50@1 60

TOBACCO
Natural Leaf, ⅌ ℔ ... 1 50@1 90
Other brands ⅌ ℔ ... 1 00@1 25

SYRUP
Belcher's Golden Syrup, 10 gal ... $36 00
Belcher's S H Syrup, 10 gal ... 34 00

BUTTER
Salt Lake ⅌ ℔ . 50@60c | Ranch ⅌ ℔ $1 00@1 25

OYSTERS
Field's steamed ⅌ case ... $18 00
Other brands ... 15 00

DRIED APPLES
Per ℔ ... 35@40c

BEANS
Navy ... 28@30c

OIL.
Coal ... $2 50@3 00

NAILS
⅌ 100 ℔ keg ... $32 00@25 00
Horse Shoe Nails, "Griffith" ... 75c

WHISKY | CLARET
⅌ gal. $5 50@8 00 | ⅌ case. $18

BROOMS | CHAMPAGNE
⅌ dozen $8 00@12 00 | ⅌ basket Heidsick $40

CANDY
Steam refined stick ⅌ 22℔ boxes ... 50c
" " mixture ... 60c

HONEY
⅌ 10℔ cans ... 90c

SALT
Fine ⅌ 100lbs ... $11 00
Table ⅌ 10℔ sack ... 1 20@1 30

POWDER
Blasting ⅌ keg ... $18 50@19 00
Rifle ⅌ keg ... 18 00@19 00
Double tape fuse ... 6½@ 7
Cotton fuse ... 2½@ 3

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Messrs. Donahue, Kelley & Co. " "
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Dissolution Notice.

THE copartnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, known as the firm of McCormick, Ohle & Co, is this day dissolved by mutual consent, John McCormick withdrawing The business will be continued at the old stand in Virginia City, by John A. Creighton and Charles Ohle under the style of Creighton & Ohle, who assume all the business and liabilities, and who alone are authorized to collect all debts due the old firm.

JOHN McCORMICK,
CHARLES OHLE,
JOHN A. CREIGHTON.
Virginia City, October 5, 1866. 111-1m

300 POUNDS

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FOR sale by J. S. ROCKFELLOW, in quantities to suit purchasers. Orders from the country, accompanied by the cash, promptly attended to.

PRICE—$5 PER POUND.

Virginia City, Feb. 16, 1866. 90

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VIRGINIA WHOL[illegible]

Corrected by J. S. Rockfellow, No. 5, [illegible]

VIRGINIA CITY, M. T., Nov. 3, 1866.

[Non resident readers will please bear in mind that our quotations are based upon actual transactions, and are gold prices for goods by the original packages The retail prices range about ten per cent above quotations.]

FLOUR.
St. Louis ⅌ sack ... $20 00@00 00
States " ... 16 00@00 00
Salt Lake, Provo, ... 10 00@11 50
Other brands, ... 9 50@10 50

BACON.
Prime New, Heavy Sides, ⅌ 100 ℔s ... 45c
Medium, do. do ... 43c

HAMS.
Prime canvassed ⅌ ℔ ... 50@55c
Country ... 55@60c

LARD.
Small cans ... 40c
Large ... 35c

CANDLES.
Werk's Cincinnati ⅌ ℔ ... 45c
Other brands ... 40c

MAPLE SUGAR.
⅌ ℔ ... 60c

SUGARS
New Orleans ⅌ ℔ ... 35c
Clarified do ... 35c
Powdered do ... 35c
Crushed do ... 36c
A refined do ... 35c

COFFEE.
Java ⅌ ℔ ... 65c
Rio choice ⅌ ℔ ... 45c
Ordinary do ... 43c

TEAS
Imperial ⅌ ℔ ... $2 00@2 50
Young Hyson ⅌ ℔ ... 2 00@2 50
Japanese in papers ℔ ℔ ... 1 50

SYRUPS
Belcher's G.S, St.L, ⅌ 10 gal. keg ... $40 00
S H M ⅌ 10 gal keg ... 35 00
Sorghum ⅌ gal ... 3 00

BUTTER
States ⅌ ℔ ... 50c
Salt Lake choice ⅌ ℔ ... 55c
Ranche do ... 1 15

FRUITS.
Dried Apples ⅌ ℔ ... 45c
States Peaches ⅌ ℔ ... 30c
Salt Lake Peaches ... 30c
Blackberries ⅌ ℔ ... 75c
Raspberries do ... 1 00
Currants do ... 45c
Cherries do ... 90c
Ground Cherries ⅌ ℔ ... 50c
Prunes ... 55@60c
Raisins ⅌ 24 ℔ box ... $13 50
⅌ ½ boxes ... 7 00
⅌ ¼ ℔ boxes ... 3 50

CANNED FRUITS
Peaches ⅌ case 2 doz ... $16 00
Pine Apples ... 20 00
Strawberries ... 24 00
Tomatoes ... 22 00
Corn ... 20 00
Blackberries ... 20 00
Cherries ... 22 00

OYSTERS
Field's Steamed ⅌ case ... 19 00
Other brands ... 16 00

TOBACCO
Lewis' Eld. ⅌ ℔ ... $1 50@0 00
Richmond (best brands) ... 1 50
Ordinary ... 1 25

SARDINES.
⅌ case ¼ size boxes ... $50 00
⅌ case ½ size boxes ... 65 00

WHITE LEAD
⅌ 25 ℔ keg ... $9 00

BEANS
Navy ... 22c

LEAD
⅌ ℔ ... 50c

SHOT
⅌ 25 ℔ sack ... $12 00@16 00

SOAP
German, ... 35c
Palm ... 35c
Castile, ... $1 00

OIL
Coal, ⅌ gal ... $3 00
Linseed ... 3 00
Lard, ... 8 00
N. Foot, ... 10 00

NAILS
⅌ 100 ℔ keg ... $25 00@28 00

GLASS
⅌ box of 50 ft. ... $15 00@20 00

PUTTY.
In Bladder, ... 40c

SODA.
Babbit's, in 1 ℔ papers ... 40c
In bulk ... 40c

PEPPER.
Grain, ⅌ ℔ ... $1 25
Ground, ⅌ 20 ℔ box ... 18 00

BROOMS
⅌ dozen ... $10 00@12 00

CHAMPAGNE.
⅌ basket, Heidsick (qts) ... $35 00
Sparkling Catawba ... $40 00@42 50

CLARET.
⅌ case ... $15 00@24 00

WHISKY.
Bourbon, ⅌ gal ... $5 00@10 00
Rye ... 8 00@10 00

BRANDY
Imported ... $12 00@18 00
Domestic ... 8 00@10 00

GIN.
Domestic ... $6 50@7 00

CORN MEAL.
Sifted, ⅌ 100 ℔ sack ... $12 50

CREAM TARTAR.
⅌ ℔ ... 70c

MUSTARD.
⅌ box 2 doz ... $7 00
⅌ ℔, in bulk ... 1 00

STARCH
Glenfield, ⅌ ℔ ... 75c

GINGER.
Jamaica, ⅌ 20 ℔ box ... $14 50
Root, ⅌ ℔ ... 3 00

PICKLES.
⅌ case, 1 doz, ½ gal ... $20 00
⅌ 10 gal keg ... 40 00

CANDY.
Stick, ⅌ 22 ℔ boxes ... $15 00
Fancy (French) ⅌ ℔ ... 90c
Fancy (American) ⅌ ℔ ... 70c

HONEY.
In 10-℔ cans ... 75@90c

SALT.
Fine, ⅌ 100 ℔s ... $10 00
Coarse " " ... 10 00
Table, ⅌ 10-℔ sack ... 1 40

MATCHES.
⅌ gross, ... $18 00
⅌ case, 2 doz bxs ... 3 50

WRAPPING PAPER.
⅌ ℔ ... 35@40c

SHOVELS
Ames' Cal, ⅌ doz ... $25 00
Ames' Spring Point ... 30 00

PICKS
With handles, ⅌ doz ... $75 00

SLUICE FORKS.
⅌ doz ... $30 00@32 50

AXES.
⅌ box, 1 doz ... $33 00@36 00

CHEESE
Western Reserve, ⅌ ℔ ... 60c
English Dairy, ⅌ ℔ ... 70c

MONETARY.

[Corrected weekly by Hussey, Dahler & Co.]
Dust buying, (currency), ... [illegible]
Dust buying, Coin, ... 15 @ 16
Greenbacks, ... 80 @ 85
Gold in New York, ... [illegible]
Greenbacks in San Francisco, ... 76

Estray Notice.

TAKEN up on the 23d day of September, A. D 1866, by the undersigned, a LIGHT BAY GELDING, about nine years old, with narrow, white line in face, with a scar on left hip, and is about fourteen hands high. The animal can be seen at the ranch of W. A. English, in Madison valley The owner is requested to prove property, pay charges and take it away, or it will be sold according to law W. A. ENGLISH.
Dated this 17th day Oct. 1866. 113-116t

FOR SALE CHEAP.

35 entirely new breech loading Carbine Rifles (Star patent), and 3,000 rounds of fixed ammunition to suit. Address S R. KIRBY, Supt. M. M. [illegible] Co.
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CAME to my [illegible] of April, [illegible] with "all" [illegible]

H. [illegible]
PHYSICIAN
103-tf

THE MONTANA POST.

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A. B HAMILTON, is our Agent at Fort Benton
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Montana.

Since the passage of the Kansas-Nebraska act, in 1854, the great middle belt of States—Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Utah, Nevada and California—has been woven into a perfect band, from the Missouri to the Pacific Just north of it, the threads of the second belt—Dacotah, Montana, Idaho, Oregon and Washington—begin to assume shape and texture. Another territory is in contemplation, to embrace portions of Montana, Dacotah and Utah, under the proposed name of Wyoming A bill, organizing it, passed the House of Representatives last year, but failed in the Senate Wyoming is a good name, but one man in American history is commemorated by a future State, and another ought to be We have the Territory of Washington—let us have the Territory of Lincoln.

Salt Lake City, Utah, is the metropolis and distributing point between the Rock Mountains and the Sierra Nevada From it Virginia, capital of Montana, lies four hundred and seventy-five miles north, Boise, capital of Idaho, four hundred and fifty miles northwest The road is like the letter Y Eighty miles miles from Salt Lake, it forks—the right stroke leading to Montana, and the left to Idaho Both are traversed by mail-coaches

For hours after leaving the City of the Saints, the traveler rides along the north bank of the Great Salt Lake—a shining mirror, spotted with purple mountains of islands, and framed in pale, violet peaks, draped with gauzy clouds of purest white He passes thrifty Mormon villages of dull brown adobe houses, with flourishing orchards, shading cottonwoods, and streets watered by little artificial streams One of these, called Morrisville, was built by the fanatical followers of Morris, a prophet who out-brighamed Brigham Persuading them that the world, with all its people, except themselves, was about to be destroyed, he taught them to seize the cattle, horses, and grain of their neighbors, upon the theory that the earth and the fruits thereof belonged to the chosen of the Lord But religion is a poor excuse for horse-stealing, and this was too much even for the Mormons. In a pitched battle, they defeated the schismatics—who fought bravely—lodged a bullet in the brain of the pretended prophet, killed several of his deluded followers, including women and children, and drove out the rest The surviving Morrisites, escorted from the Territory by United States soldiers, settled in Montana, where they still reside They asserted of their thieving, just as the Saints, from whom they were an offshoot, do of polygamy—that it was a part of their faith, and Brigham may learn a wholesome lesson from their fate. It is useless to fight the moral sentiment of the civilized world Every relic of barbarism must succumb sooner or later The Mormons begin to comprehend this, for, like many religious communities in history, they combine extreme fanaticism of belief with the shrewdest and wisest common sense in practical affairs.

Leaving Utah, with its great basin, the passenger crosses over a low, bare "divide," and is in Idaho, on waters running to the Pacific. The southern part of this young Territory juts far eastward, cutting off Montana from Utah There are no dwellings, except low adobe stage stations, with stacks of winter hay cut from the wild grass of the valleys.

The road passes through Port Neuf Canyon—thirty miles long—where twice the coach bringing gold-dust from Montana has been robbed The most daring assault was committed one year ago The stage was crowded with passengers, all armed to the teeth, and keeping vigilant watch—for a suspicious looking horseman, his face concealed by a slouching hat, had twice ridden past, staring into the vehicle. The canyon is narrow, with high walls and shrubbery along the little brook which threads it In broad day light, when all were riding with guns and revolvers cocked in their hands, seven men, with blackened faces, instantly rose up from the dense willows on each side, stopping the horses, and firing into the coach. At the same moment the passengers returned the fire, but their courage was useless In stage-robberies, which occur frequently on the lonely roads leading out of our gold regions, persons are seldom able to defend themselves if they remain in the coach. By jumping out and scattering, they often succeed in driving away the robbers. On this occasion, one of the highwaymen was wounded, but escaped; four passengers were killed—one riddled with fifty bullets and buckshots The robbers secured sixty thousand dollars in gold dust, climbed back out of the canyon to the sand-hills, where waiting confederates guarded their horses, and thus made good their escape. Singularly, none were ever caught, though the people of Montana searched vigorously for them, through all the border States and Territories.

Beyond, the road winds along the clear Snake River, the old Lewis Fork of the Columbia. The Indian name, Shoshone, or Winding River, is far more fitting and musical than ours. This dim, crooked artery of the great desert's heart, fifteen hundred miles in length, rises from springs within half a mile of those [illegible] the headwaters of the Missouri. [illegible] river of desolation. Unrelieved [illegible] green banks for nearly the [illegible] it is a natural ditch sunk [illegible] with clear water, and [illegible] with scattering willows [illegible] streams suddenly sink into the earth, like the rivers of Damascus, and, running under ground for many miles, abruptly re appear in their parched beds The road crosses miles of sand, which the slow stage-mules and wheels plow a foot deep On the eastern horizon, the Three Tetons (woman's breasts)—a unique spur of the Rocky Mountains—rise side by side, tall, slender, and spire-like, suggesting the name, the Finger Mountains, which belongs to a group of Arizona peaks The Indians call them the Three Pinnacles. Pleasant Valley Station is in a little grassy basin—a natural bowl, among the dark hills. Just beyond, climbing over the divide of the Rocky Mountains, one leaves the Pacific slope behind passing into Montana, among the tributaries of the Missouri.

The first important settlement is the city of Bannack, named from a tribe of Indians, It was the pioneer town of Montana, begun deep down in the gulch of Grasshopper Creek, inclosed by bare, lofty mountains The diggings yielded very richly, sometimes paying fifty dollars per day to the man; but, like most gulch mines, were soon exhausted In flush times, the city had two thousand people, now, it has but a few hundred, and as a dreary succession of straggling, empty low-houses, overlooked by a huge gallows, which has outlived many tenants But rich quartz-lodes, now opening hard by, will give it a new lease of life. In mining regions, as elsewhere, history repeats itself Bannack was the first town of Montana, but, when its gulch gave out, other sections were developed, and the people flocked to Virginia City, seventy miles beyond That continues to flourish but new settlements are springing up, among the rich mines of Helena and the Blackfoot region, which bid fair to eclipse it

Virginia was settled in July, 1862, and has five thousand people, including Nevada City and Junction Environed by mountain crests dotted with a few lonely cedars, it lies like a huge serpent—the head, Virginia—the tail, its two suburbs—a crooked, irregular strip of low log houses, winding for nine miles down Alder Creek Many of these cabins are deserted The American miner is a migratory animal, who will always leave five dollars per day for the possibility of twenty, especially when the new diggings are very remote and inaccessible. Alder Gulch has yielded many millions of dollars, and, for its length—thirteen miles—was probably the richest gold deposit ever found Now, it is completely cut to pieces, honey-combed with shafts, ridged with ditches, and disemboweled with tunnels A few miners are still washing the gold from the brown earth

The heart of the town is within a hundred yards of the diggings In flush times, it was a crowd of people, and a whirl of business Streets were thronged, stores choked with a stream of commerce, sidewalks monopolized by irrepressible auctioneers, hoarsely crying horses, oxen, mules, wagons, and household goods Drinking saloons, whose name was legion, were densely crowded. Theaters, which always spring up in mining regions, were closely packed At the hotels, beds were hardly obtainable, for love or money Gambling-halls were musical with clinking coin and shining with yellow gold Hurdy-gurdy houses, with dancing-girls, music and long bars, where whisky was sold at fifty cents a drink and champagne at $12 per bottle, were filled with visitors, ranging from judges to blacklegs, in every costume, from broadcloth to buckskin And all this, in a town less than one year old, in the heart of the Rocky Mountains, a thousand miles from everywhere! For Montana is the most remote Territory of the United States, the furthest both from New York and San Francisco—the great cities of the future, which will yet contend for the mastery of the world

Virginia, though less lively than of yore, still boasts heavy trade and bustling streets The buildings are of logs, lumber, and granite, with wooden signs overhanging the plank sidewalks Many citizens habitually wear revolvers at their belts.

Daily mail coaches ply north to Helena, one hundred and twenty-five miles, over mountain roads which were never worked, but have witnessed the best staging in the United States In summer, coaches often run the whole distance—equal to one hundred and sixty miles of good roads—during daylight, and sometimes in fourteen hours The route crosses the great Jefferson Fork of the Missouri, upon a log bridge two hundred feet in length, where shines the river, along a broad, beautiful valley, between mountains pine-covered and snow-clad. We pass the log ranches of settlers, whose huge hay-stacks are waiting for winter, and whose fields are rich in ripening wheat and barley, or overgrown turnips and potatoes Despite frost every month in the year, Montana has great agricultural capacity, and will one day support a large population Small grains, root vegetables, and the hardy fruits produce abundantly. It seems far north for barley and wheat; but in the British possessions—still higher latitude—the Hudson Bay Company has raised, successfully, every product of our Northwestern States. Some even believe that the true wheat-growing region of the continent lies north of the Upper Missouri. Farming will always be lucrative, because the transportation of supplies from "the States" costs from twelve to forty cents per pound.

In a deep canyon of the rugged mountain, is the junction of the Jefferson, Gallatin and Madison, whose blended waters form the Missouri. In Minnesota, one may cross the Mississippi by a wooden bridge, with only two spans. Here we can fling a pebble across the Missouri. Still higher up, among mountain springs, a member of the Lewis & Clark expedition thanked God that he was able to stand astride of the largest river in the world. We enter White-tailed Deer Canyon, twenty miles long, with grand and startling scenery, ever shifting, like scenes in a theater Immense granite boulders, some as large as a railway-car, lie upon and against each other, piled up in all positions, as if the gods had torn up and hurled vast rocks in deadly battle. Some walls of the gorge are gray rock, others clothed in firs and pines of dark green and purplish brown, mottled with yellow cotton woods. Looking back through the canyon's mouth, I have seen snowy mountains glorified by the dying sun, like battlements of the Celestial City. Through the opposite gateway, some peaks were obscured by slabs of leaden clouds, dark and sullen, bridging the gulfs between them, others, scarred and gashed, were robed in drapery, white as milk and soft as down—a fleece more inviting than that for which Jason and the Argonauts traversed the world

Whirling along slippery banks and sliding roads, and passing a spring ten inches in diameter, which gushes, boiling hot, from the hill side, we reach Helena, less than two years old, with a population of nearly five thousand. Its two principal streets are in the form of a cross. It is made up of rough log houses, and spacious, barn like frame buildings, and pleasant cottages with latticed verandas. It is the supply point for the placer mines of the Blackfoot country and other portions of Northern Montana, embracing some of the richest diggings in the world I have never been in any region where gold dust in the hands of working miners circulated so freely and in so large quantities Several nuggets, worth from two to four thousand dollars, have been taken out, and single claims have produced one thousand dollars per day These are rare, exceptional cases, but Montana is doubtless the richest placer mining region ever discovered in the United States, and its quartz veins promise better than those of any other State or Territory This year's immigration has been enormous, both from the East and the Pacific coast The most rapid and impressive changes are going on Before advancing civilization, even brutal, stolid, savage faces light up with surprise and bewilderment at the new era opening to their vision

> "Behind the squaw's light birch canoe
> The steamer rocks and raves
> And city lots are staked for sale
> Above old Indian graves
>
> *I hear the tread of pioneers*
> Of nations yet to be—
> The first low wash of waves, where soon
> Shall roll a human sea
>
> The rudiments of empire here
> Are plastic yet and warm,
> The chaos of a mighty world
> Is rounding into form"

Soon Montana will ask admission to the Union as a sovereign State. At present, nominally, it is ruled by a Territorial Governor, Legislature and Courts, but actually by the "Vigilantes," a secret tribunal of citizens, organized before civil laws were framed, when robberies and cold blooded murders were of daily occurrence The highwaymen were called "Road Agents," from their assumed authority over the stage roads and stage companies, transcending that of the superintendents themselves Coaches and private conveyances were stopped by "Road Agents," with cocked guns, compelling passengers to hold up their hands lest they should grasp weapons, while their persons and vehicle were rifled He who resisted was killed on the spot An immigrant, who had shot a grouse near the road, ran to pick it up, and found that it had fallen upon the corpse of one of these victims, lying among the sage brush In a Virginia barber shop, revolvers were drawn, one man was shot dead and another wounded, but such affairs were so common, that the barber did not even stop lathering his patron's face, nor did the patron leave his chair After a hundred homicides, the Vigilantes organized, captured, tried and executed twenty-four of the leading desperadoes, and banished many others Upon the great gallows, which now overlooks Bannack City, they hung even the county Sheriff who built it, and one of his deputies, on well established charges of robbery and murder Two or three days before I visited Helena, the people awoke one morning to find a notorious reprobate hanging dead from a tree limb, and labeled "Murderer" It was a sharp warning to the surviving cut throats

Every new State, in its early history, attracts thieves and murderers, and sooner or later, purges itself through the swift, terrible vengeance of lynch law I do not learn that these "Vigilantes" ever executed any man of whose guilt there was reasonable doubt, and they have rendered life and property comparatively safe But only the most imperious, direful necessity can justify, even for a brief period, this irregular and dangerous administration of justice In California, a miner gave a good illustration of the general sentiment of the frontier. When he was called up as juror in a murder case, the judge asked him the usual question

"Have you any conscientious scruples about capital punishment?"

He responded.

"I have, in all cases when it is not administered by a Vigilance Committee!"

In summer, the mails bring letters from New York to Montana in twenty-two days During winter snows, the time is indefinite. About half the freight of the Territory is brought up the Missouri, from St. Louis to Fort Benton, the nominal head of navigation, twenty miles below the Great Falls, one hundred and forty miles from Helena, and two hundred and sixty-five from Virginia. None but boats of light draft can reach Fort Benton, save upon the spring floods. The river trip from St Louis consumes from thirty-five to seventy days. The summer boats stop at Fort Union, four hundred miles lower, near the mouth of the Yellowstone. The old trading post is well known to the trappers and merchants of the early days. It stands on the bank of the clear river—a stockaded fort with two towers at opposite corners, the United States flag flying, Indian lodges in the rear, little cottonwood groves in ravines on either side, and light batteaux upon the shining stream in front. I am indebted to Major Culbertson, an old Indian trader, for a view of the fort in its palmy days, painted upon bed ticking, by an unskilled employee of the American Fur Company, with such brushes and colors as he could obtain in a wilderness This unique work of art—in some respects more meritorious than many pretentious paintings—is reproduced upon the first page of the present paper, as faithfully as photography, engraving and printing can copy it.

The Great Falls of the Missouri, twenty-five hundred miles above Saint Louis, and forty above Fort Benton, which have been seen by few tourists, are bold and striking In thirteen miles of cascades and rapids, the total fall is three hundred and eighty feet. The Upper Cataract, forty feet high, extending across the river like a slightly bent bow, is picturesque and beautiful. Among the rapids below are several smaller falls, of from one to five yards, while the banks on either side form a deep, narrow gorge, one thousand feet below the general level of the bare plains. These tremulous walls of yellow sandstone give peculiar grandeur and impressiveness to the wild, rocky, rugged scene The lower or Great Falls, are eighty-four feet. The stream is nearly one third of a mile wide The southern half leaps in a perfect sheet over sandstone rocks. The northern half, broken and perturbid, descends into the basin at its feet, a series and labyrinth of rapids and chutes. On the southern side, the sandstone presents a sharp face, on the northern, it is worn into plateaus and benches A projecting point of rock affords the best view The thunder of the falling water, vailed in snowy foam, the bold, wild banks, the dazzling rainbows, and the immense volume of water, will make the spot a favorite one for tourists in all coming time

Rich beds of coal—the "portable climate" of our civilization—exist on the Upper Missouri The gap from the head of navigation here, to its head on the Columbia, should soon be filled by railway. According to Captain Mullan's survey, the distance from Fort Benton to Wallula, Washington Territory, regularly reached by all steamers on the Columbia, is less than six hundred and fifty miles, through a region which, opened by railroad, would sustain a large farming population.

Montana is the young daughter of a young mother—the child of Colorado Thence came most of the pioneer settlers Among the later immigrants, every new State and Territory is represented, for frontier life, once known, inspires restlessness, like the shirt of Nessus A large majority of the inhabitants are Missourians, at whose expense the settlers of eastern origin relate many droll stories In a street discussion, a lounger was defending, as correct, the rural southern phrases—"We 'uns" and "You 'uns" One of the bystanders asked him

"Are you a grammarian?"

"Which?" was his bewildered inquiry

"Are you a grammarian?"

"Why, no I'm a Missourian!"

It was a distinction with a difference But the fun is not all on one side During the early Kansas troubles, the Missourians posted a guard at the ferry on the great river, and whenever an immigrant sought to cross into the new, convulsed Territory, asked him to say "cow" If he pronounced it "keow" he was voted a Yankee, and like Moore's disconsolate Peri outside the gate, was not permitted to enter the desired paradise

I remember an old Missourian on the borders of the Indian Territory, who was brought in contact many eastern men by the establishment of a new stage line through his neighborhood Said he.

"I've lived on the frontier all my life I know English and the sin language, and have picked up a smattering of French, Spanish, Choctaw and Delaware, but one language I can't understand, and that is this infernal New York language!"

The phrases of some of the miners are original and suggestive. They call the fine particles of gold in the earth "the color" One of them remarked of a man tried in various positions and found utterly worthless

"I have panned him out, clear down to the bed rock, but I can't even raise the color"

The quartz mining of Montana, which has but just begun, gives rare promise for the future Gold and silver, whether found in the rock or the decomposed earth, are gems more potent than those of Oriental fable When they wave their wands, palaces spring up in the wilderness, and cities among the mountain tops The stream is imprisoned by the dam, and vexed with the wheel, fruitful farms are wrested from the lonely valleys, shining treasures torn from the disemboweled mountains; newspapers and telegraphs abolish time and diminish space, the beaver must dive quickly to avoid the plowing steamer; and buffalo and Indian run their fleetest to keep out of the way of the locomotive

Montana is eight hundred miles from east to west, by nearly three hundred from north to south It is a mountain territory, containing five large basins—four on the Atlantic slope, one on the Pacific—and numberless smaller valleys While snow is several feet deep upon the mountains, cattle are growing fat among the green bunch grass of the valleys, less than a thousand feet lower.

"My father's empire," said Cyrus to Xenophon, "is so large that people perish with cold at one end, while they suffocate with heat at the other" But here one may find summer and winter, blooming flowers and deep snow, less than a mile apart. Sometimes the mantle of winter half covers even the hardy grass of the valleys. Then cattle still subsist upon the protruding tops Horses and antelope paw up the snow, to find the hidden food; but if the snow is too deep they live upon the bark of cottonwood Copper and iron are plentiful, and agates, amethysts, rubies and garnets, all abound

My return from Helena to Virginia was in October, but the weather was intensely cold, with snow drifts obstructing the track, and turning the pine trees into exquisite white coral Driving stages upon these bleak, dangerous mountain roads is an ill paid and unattractive pursuit; yet, like journalism and seafaring, once tasted, its fascination seems irresistible The driver is always a character, often entertaining and witty, and no respecter of persons. There is a story of one, with a clergyman on the box beside him, who swore long and loud at his balking horses

"My friend," expostulated the preacher, "don't swear so Remember Job—he was severely tried, but never lost his patience."

"Job! Job!" pondered Jehu—"what line did he drive for?"

Once with the Governor of a Territory I spent a night at a lonely desert station. His Excellency asked permission to sleep on the driver's bunk.

"Certainly," was the unabashed reply, "that is if you haven't any graybacks about you!"

But I wander from my winter journey. One morning I took a little excursion which was not down in the programme. We were upon a sliding mountain road, coated with ice buried under two feet of light snow. Our six horses were upon the full run, to take the coach over before it should slide down the hill. Suddenly one wheel struck a hidden rock. The vehicle narrowly escaped capsizing, and I did not escape being pitched from the driver's box. I was wrapped in blankets and buffalo robes, which fortunately slipped off without entangling my feet. I was projected fully twenty-five feet through the air, describing a section of a circle. As John Phœnix used to say, that was the only description of the affair I should ever have been able to give, but for the friendly snow bank, which cushioned the ledge of rock upon which I alighted head foremost The driver seemed to enjoy the joke, until ten minutes later when a similar rock upon his side sent him flying against the brake handle, where he hung, like Mohamed's coffin, until he found his lost legs and abandoned seat Serious, and sometimes fatal accidents, occur in winter upon these unworked roads.

Regretfully I left Montana—youngest and least developed, but richest and fairest of all our Territories In scenery, farming land, timber, water, precious and base metals—in all the native elements of a powerful and prosperous State, she is full of richness and of promise Beautiful upon the mountain tops are her rugged hills, somber with pines and firs, and her green slopes glad with streams and flowers

CHURCHES IN THE TERRITORIES.—Idaho City is not the only place where religion does not thrive very vigorously We notice that at Virginia City, Montana, the "Union Church" has been sold to satisfy claims of creditors, and has been turned into a horse stable That is worse than Idaho Here the "Union" Church was sold for a court house—*Idaho World*

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JOHN McCORMICK,
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Virginia City, October 5, 1866. 111-1m

Estray Notice.

TAKEN up on the 23d day of September, A D 1866, by the undersigned, a LIGHT BAY GELDING, about nine years old, with narrow, white line in face, with a scar on left hip, and is about fourteen hands high The animal can be seen at the ranch of W. A English, in Madison valley The owner is requested to prove property, pay charges and take it away, or it will be sold according to law. W. A. ENGLISH.

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Election Returns.

Glorious Republican Victories in New York, New Jersey, Missouri, Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota and Massachusetts!

CONGRESS SUSTAINED.

Great Battle in Paraguay.

NEW YORK, Nov 6—The following dispatch was received over the Atlantic cable

RIO JANEIRO, Oct. 10, via London, Nov 5—Another battle took place at Fort Curofity, on the 22d of Sept The gunboats engaged the fort from the river, while the allied storming columns attacked the Paraguayan lines in the midst of showers of grape and musketry, and nobly captured the first parallels They failed, however, to take the second, and were compelled to retire after having sustained a loss of five thousand men and having had several gunboats disabled General Flores returned to Montevedio with the rest of the oriental army Great excitement prevails, and further operations have been suspended

Maximilian Abdicates—Sherman Going to Mexico.

NEW YORK, Nov 6.—The *Herald's* city of Mexico correspondent says Max appointed Marshall Bazaine temporary regent, and took his departure for Vera Cruz on the 21st ult, going a round about way to avoid meeting Castlenau, who was at the same time en route from Vera Cruz to Mexico The ministry, upon hearing of the appointment of Bazaine, resigned Castlenau arrived at the capital on the 23d, and took upon himself the ministration of government An Austrian frigate was at Vera Cruz awaiting Max's arrival, to depart for Europe General Castlenau, it is understood, brought orders to Maximilian to turn his empire over to Bazaine.

General Sherman and Colonel Campbell, our Mexican Minister, will sail for Mexico in the steamer Susquehanna in a few days, to assume protectorate over that republic until a general election for President and Congress can be had

Fenian Raid Expected.

The *Herald's* Toronto special says Another raid was expected from Buffalo on Saturday night, during a Fenian demonstration, on the occasion of the arrival of the captured arms recently returned by order of President Johnson A mass meeting among the brotherhood was held in Buffalo and Indianapolis, Saturday night, in which retaliatory measures were threatened in case of the execution of Lynch or McMahan A new trial for McMahan and Lynch will be applied for during the week

Traitors Pardoned.

The *Herald's* Washington special says The President has authorized pardons to be granted to T. M Roberts of Ohio, and W. S. Hines of Louisiana, the former for his participation in the rebellion, under the tenth clause, leaving loyal States to join in the insurrection; the latter under the thirteenth or $20,000 clause of the amnesty proclamation.

French Politics.

No instructions have yet been received from France by Marquis De Montholen directing him to proceed to Lisbon, or intimation that he is to be superceded by Count Berthold; nevertheless he is inclined to give some credit to the cable dispatch of the 2d He looks to the arrival of the European mail of that date to either confirm or deny the report.

Sweeney Reinstated.

The President to-day issued an order for the reinstatement of Gen. Sweeney to his former position in the regular army.

British Troops in Canada.

The *Tribune's* Montreal special says The 100th regiment, just out from England, arrived by the steamer Pennsylvania yesterday. Half of the regiment will go immediately to Ottawa.

There are now in British America about 15,000 troops of the regular British army, of whom 9,000 are in Canada.

Simeon Draper not Dead.

NEW YORK, Nov. 6—The *Times* learns that the announcement of the death of Simeon Draper was premature. That gentleman is serious ill however.

My Lords Safe.

The *Tribune's* Fort Riley special says: A hunting party, including Viscount Countwall, Baron Holstein, and Count Montague, who were reported killed or captured, returned safely yesterday to Fort Riley.

Tennessee Items.

MEMPHIS, Nov. 5—The trial of Supt Beaumont and detectives Pratt & Norton, is still progressing. Beaumont's [illegible] are confident of his acquittal, [illegible] evidence is complicated and con- [illegible] —The argument will be con- [illegible] to-morrow.

[illegible] Nov. 7—The vote of this [illegible] was: Republican, 11,248; [illegible] The total vote was [illegible]

only about one half of the full vote. Logan has probably 40,000 majority in the State as Congressman at-large.

The Legislature stands Senate, 15 Republicans and 10 Democrats; House, 53 Republicans and 32 Democrats

Michigan gives 25.000 Republican majority, and elects six Republican Congressmen

Wisconsin gives about 18,000 Republican majority, elects five Republicans and one Democrat Gen Paine has nearly 5,000 majority in Milwaukee district Eldridge, Democrat, has about 3,000 majority in the fourth district

Missouri gives about 25,000 Radical majority, and elects probably all Radical Congressmen St Louis gives 2,500 Radical majority. Gen. Pile beats Hogan for Congress 500 Frank Blair is elected to the Legislature on the Conservative ticket.

Minnesota gives 8,500 Radical majority Both Republican Congressmen are elected.

A few returns from Kansas indicate that the Republicans have swept the State

A few returns from New Jersey show that the Republicans have carried the Legislature and elected three out of five Congressmen, being a gain of Halsey in the Newark district

Two colored men are elected in the Massachusetts Legislature—one from Charlestown and one from Boston

The latest from New York, at 3 a m, claims that Fenton is elected by from 6,000 to 10,000 majority The Democrats carry nine districts, electing Stephen Tabor, Thomas Barnes, William Robinson, John Fox, John Morrisey, Thomas E Stewart, Jno W Chandler, James Brooks, and Fernando Wood, also, Jno V L Pruyn in the Albany district, and Humphrey in the Buffalo district The Republicans carry all the other districts, making twenty Republicans, gaining William H Robertson in the 10th, Chas H Van Wyck in the 11th, and Thomas Cornell in the 13th, to offset the loss of the three city districts

Fox beat Greeley about 950 in the fourth district Morrisey's majority is about 2,400, Brooks' majority, 8,000, Chandlers' majority, 5,000, Woods' majority over Darling, 1,406 Selye, independent Republican, beats Hart in the Rochester district 1,400, Conkling carries Utica district by 1,500, Humphrey, Democrat, carries the Buffalo district by 1,000, beating A M Clapp, editor Buffalo *Express* Hoffman, for Governor, goes up the Hudson River about 60,000 ahead, but returns from the interior make Fenton's election certain and, also, a Republican majority in the Legislature

The Baltimore election passed quietly, but returns indicate that the Conservatives carry four members of Congress, being all the districts except the fourth, where Frank Thomas has over 2,000 majority Estimates of the Maryland Legislature—thirty-six Conservative majority on joint ballot

Either Montgomery Blair or Governor Swann will be elected Senator, vice Creswell

The *Tribune's* Baltimore special says The judges of election were so anxious to satisfy the Conservatives that they allowed anybody to vote, almost without inquiry.

Delaware goes Democratic, but we have no figures

Recapitulation of elections members of Congress in nineteen States show 130 Republicans, and 32 Democrats, with seven States yet to hear from, including Nevada, which elect thirty members The Republicans thus far make a net gain of four members

NEW YORK, Nov. 7—The *Times* says The Republicans elected four Congressmen in New Jersey, gaining Halsey and John Hill, who beats A. J Rogers 2,000. Graves is the only Democrat elected from New Jersey.

The *World* gives Fenton's election by 4,000

The *Times* claims 10,000

Mexican dispatches via Havana confirm the news that Maximilian had abdicated.

BALTIMORE, Nov. 7—Archer, Conservative, beats John L Thomas in the second district 2,000 Charles E Phelps, Conservative, is re-elected by 975 majority. Conservatives carried every legislative district in the city.

NEW YORK, Nov. 7—The correct vote of the city is Hoffman, 79,352; Fenton, 33,225 Hoffman's majority, 46,128 Kings county gave Hoffman 8,380 majority. Bullock's majority will reach 75,000

ALBANY, Nov. 7—The Republicans are firing one hundred guns.

NEW YORK, Nov. 7.—Flour dull; common grades 10@20 lower; wheat dull, 1 @2 lower.

LONDON, Nov 7.—Consols 89¼, five twenties, 68¼.

Great Britain has withdrawn her legation from Saxony with Prussia.

It is said preparations are quietly progressing in Ireland to meet the probable Fenian rising. It is said the insurrection in Candia has ended. The Czar of Russia has formerly recognized Hospidar of Roumania.

NEW YORK, Nov 7.—Returns continue to indicate Fenton's majority 10,000.

The Great Republic, the first vessel of the Pacific Steamship Company's new line to China, will be launched probably to-morrow morning This ship is the largest, and one of the finest, ever built in the United States.

Sherman and Mexico.

The Susquehanna, now at the Brooklyn navy yard, is nearly ready to depart for Vera Cruz with Minister Campbell and General Sherman, who expect to proceed direct to the city of Mexico and meet the Liberal Government There does not appear to be any doubt but Maximilian has quit Instructions were sent to General Sheridan last Saturday to notify Juarez of the expected arrival of Campbell and Sherman

Minister Campbell and General Sherman are expected to leave on Saturday Sherman will only remain in Mexico until the Juarez government is fairly established, but his presence is desirable in order that the United States troops may be promptly ordered to co-operate in case of need for their services

Turkey and Russia—The "Sick Man's" Condition.

A recent Constantinople letter gives the following account of the Eastern question There is now no prospect of the re opening of the Eastern question in general There will be active interference in favor of the Christians in Candia, but it will be with the object of putting out the Eastern question, not of opening it. England and France are agreed upon this point Neither of these powers are ready for any general clearing out in Turkey, both fear that Russia would gain what is lost by Turkey, and both are of opinion that Russia is strong enough already If Lord Lyons had been removed to Paris, as was reported last week, it would have given color to the reports of the European press, especially as Moustier has just been called from Constantinople to be minister of Foreign Affairs. But Moustier is really opposed to any renewal of the Eastern question This is so well known here that when he went to Athens on his way to Paris, the mob would have torn him to pieces if they had dared to do so As it was, they howled and hissed at him, cursed him, and called him every uncomplimentary name known in Greek and French vernacular

Russia is doing what it can, both here and in Europe, to compel the great powers to take up the sick man's case, for she has everything to gain and nothing to lose, in the settlement of this question The Russian Embassador here is untiring in his efforts to stir up difficulties in European Turkey to encourage Caniotes, and to force the question upon England and France It is true, also, that Russian agents here and elsewhere are doing everything in their power to bring the United States into the question All stories about the United States Government desiring to purchase the island on the coast of Turker, originated from this source, and our government knows very well that one of the most desirable islands for a naval station is at our disposal whenever we choose to accept it as a free gift People do not give away islands without an object, however, and in this case the object is to make the power of the United States felt in Greece and Turkey The Turks are already alarmed about the United States, and are on the point of sending an embassy to the United States to cultivate friendly relations. And, by the way, the announcement of this intention has caused great excitement in Greece, where it is proposed to send a Greek Ambassador to the United States at once to neutralize the effort of the Turkish embassy.

Trials of Fenians.

The Fenian trials at Toronto continue, and John S Levin was yesterday sentenced to be hung on the 13th of December. Several others have been acquitted, including the Episcopal minister, Lumsden, who was proved to have been on a drunken spree at Buffalo, and not responsible for his actions. A new trial has been demanded for Colonel Lynch and Father McMahan

Public Debt.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 8.—The treasury statement shows a reduction of twenty-two millions of dollars in the public debt during October, with ninety-nine and one-half millions in coin, and thirty-one millions in currency, on hand on the 1st of November It is estimated that the revenue from all sources during the present fiscal year, is six hundred and fifty millions.

Bank of England.

LONDON, Nov. 7—The Bank of England received during the month ending Friday, nine hundred and forty thousand pounds of bullion.

Election Returns and Political News—The President Unconverted

NEW YORK, Nov 8—Later returns do not alter figures of the election Fenton has from 8,000 to 11,000 majority, with an increased Republican majority in the Legislature.

The New Jersey Legislature is Republican in both branches, securing a Republican Senator vice Wright, who was deceased a few days since.

The Democratic majority in Delaware is about 1,000.

St Louis specials estimate the Radical majority in Missouri at 30,000, with all the Congressmen, and two-thirds of the Legislature, securing the election of Chas. D. Drake to the Senate vice Brown. Frank Blair had only five majority for the Legislature, and his seat will be contested.

The Legislatures of Illinois and Wisconsin are heard from For Senators Trumbull and Howe, the Madison *Journal*, estimates 20,000 Republican majority in Wisconsin, and three fourths of the Legislature.

Partial returns from Illinois show Republican gains of 11,500, and eleven Republican Congressmen certain, while both parties claim the eleventh district.

The Illinois Fenians either voted for Logan or did not vote at all, which accounts for the decrease of 10,000 Democratic voters in Chicago, and equally surprising results elsewhere in the State.

John L Thomas and Jas J Stewart, Radical candidates for Congress in Baltimore, will contest the election

A Washington special says the *Star* of last evening (the President's organ,) says the President is as calm and quiet as a summer's morning, and the result of the elections only confirm him more strongly and determinedly in his patriotic purpose and policy.

Gen Jno McNeil telegraphed from St Louis that the President might retain his commission as surveyor of St Louis, as he had been elected Sheriff by 3,000

Charles L Mitchell, the colored man elected to the Massachusetts Legislature, from the sixth district, Boston, was a soldier, and lost his leg before Richmond The ward is one of the most aristocratic in Boston, and includes the residence of ex Governor Andrew

The *Times'* Washington special says the election will not change the President from his policy

CHICAGO, Nov 8—Charles Haight, Democrat, is elected in the second district, beating Wm A Newell 200 votes This makes the delegation three Republican to one Democrat

Prominent Southern politicians, including Orr and Perry of South Carolina, Gov Jenkins, Alex Stevens and H V Johnson, have published an address, official or voluntary, against the adoption of the constitutional amendment

The New York *Herald* says the issue is narrowed down to the question Will the excluded States accept the Constitutional Amendment or wait for General Grant

The Tennessee Legislature met yesterday without a quorum

Items—Races—Election—Cholera—Launch, etc., etc.

NEW YORK, Nov 8—The Jerome Park hurdle race to-day, 1¾ miles and seven hurdles, was won by Roscoe Time, 4 15 Yellow-hammer and Surprise fell

Further returns confirm the majority for Fenton—8,000

Frank Hilton, gold broker in Wall street, was arrested to-day for an attempt to get cash upon eight coupons of $5,000 each, advertised as stolen from Mr Lord

The *World* this morning has a long article, saying the unfortunate result of the elections deprives President Johnson of what ought to have been the chief glory of his administration

The steamship Florida which arrived from Havre to-day had twenty-nine deaths from cholera The Florida is chartered by the French Government to bring troops from Vera Cruz, and merely touched here to land passengers, none of whom suffered from disease.

The Great Republic, the pioneer steamship in the San Francisco, China and Japan line, was launched to-day She is the largest wooden steamer ever built in the United States.

TORONTO, Nov. 8—The *Leader* this morning has a significant editorial, to the effect that Fenians will not be hung, but punishment will be proportionate to their crime, with, perhaps, an admixture of royal clemency The *Globe* has a Montreal dispatch, saying it is understood that the government has resolved to commute the sentence of Lynch and McMahon.

BALTIMORE, Nov. 8—Gov Swann was called upon at his residence last night by a large body of conservatives and made a speech congratulating them on the victory obtained.

Returns from Alleghany county indicate that the Conservatives have carried the legislative ticket

The constitutional amendment against the creation of a sinking fund for the support of public schools has been adopted.

COLUMBUS, O, Nov 8—The Ohio Democratic Committee to-day resolved to call a State Convention the 8th of January for the nomination of Governor, etc.

LONDON, Nov. 8—Consols 89¼, 5-20s 69. Drafts of Dent & Co, China, have been refused acceptance Their engagements are heavy

The case of the rebel steamers seized at Liverpool, which was brought before the Admiralty Court, has been allowed to stand over, and it is believed will be privately adjusted.

VENICE, Nov. 8.—The King of Italy entered Venice with grand reception yesterday.

PARIS, Nov. 8.—Transports are ready to bring French troops from Mexico.

CHICAGO, Nov. 9.—Returns from 62 counties in Illinois give Logan 44,000 majority, a gain of 15,000 over Lincoln's vote two years ago. Logan's majority will reach 50,000. Logan's majority in Cook county, including Chicago, is 9,545. Cairo district gives Raum, Republican, 500 majority Belleville district gives Baker, Republican, 1,200 majority, he had less than 100 two years' ago. Springfield district gives Cullom, Republican, 4,000, Quincy district gives Harding, Republican, 2,000. The ninth district elects Lippincott, Republican, by a large gain, and the eleventh district is in doubt Illinois Senate stand 16 Republicans, 9 Democrats; House, 59 Republicans, 26 Democrats. No other State this year has shown such uniform and overwhelming Republican gains

The following are the congressional majorities in Michigan—all Republican Beaman, 4,500, Upson, 7,300; Blair, 3,000, Ferry, 7,000, Trowbridge, 2,000, Driggs, 6,500 Total Republican majority, 31,000 Legislature nearly unanimous

Minnesota, first district, gives Windom over 6,000 second district, Donnelly, 3,500.

ST LOUIS, Nov 9—First district, official, General Pile, Republican, 170 majority over Hogan, second district, Newcomb, Republican, 3,000, third district very close, Noell, Conservative, probably elected, fourth district, Gravely, Republican, 4,500, fifth district, McClung, Republican, 4,000; sixth district, VanHorn, Republican, 500, seventh district, Ben Loan, Republican, 8,000, eighth district, Benjamin, Republican, 2,000, ninth district, Anderson, Republican, probably elected

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